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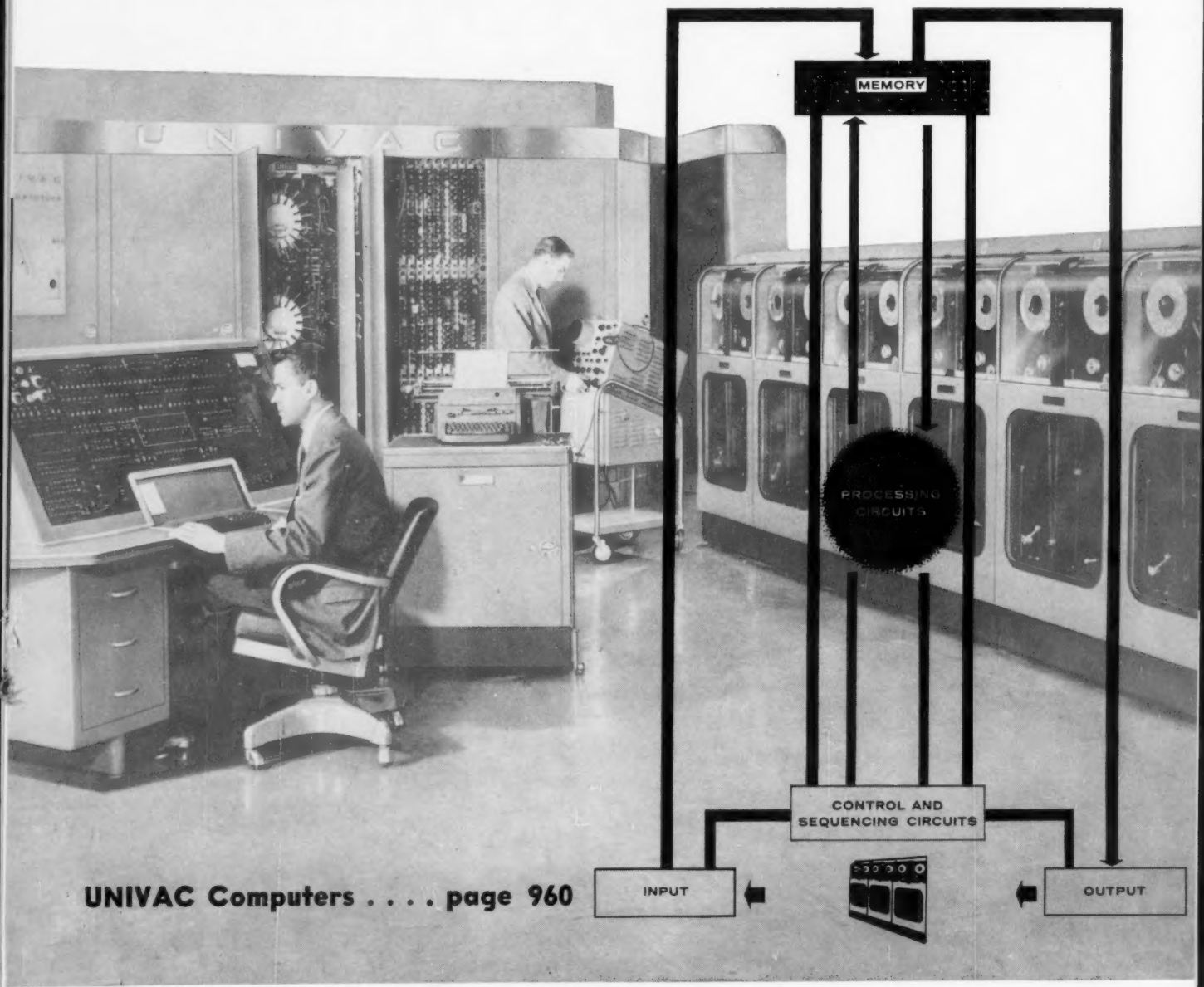

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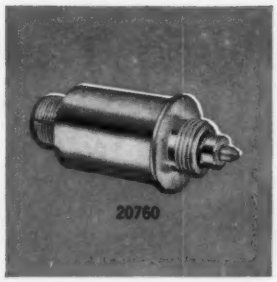

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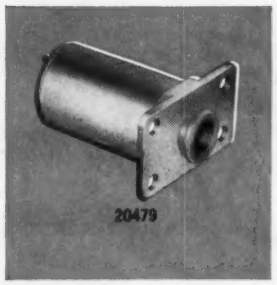

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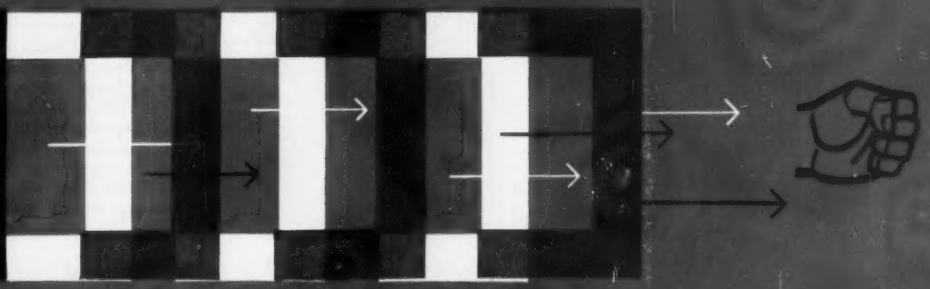

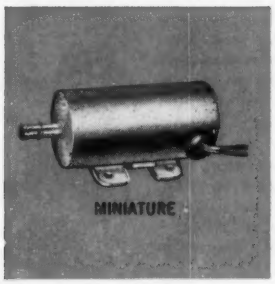

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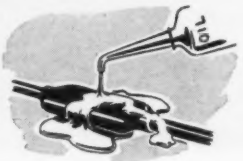

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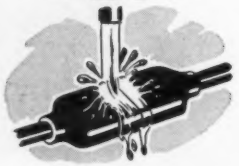

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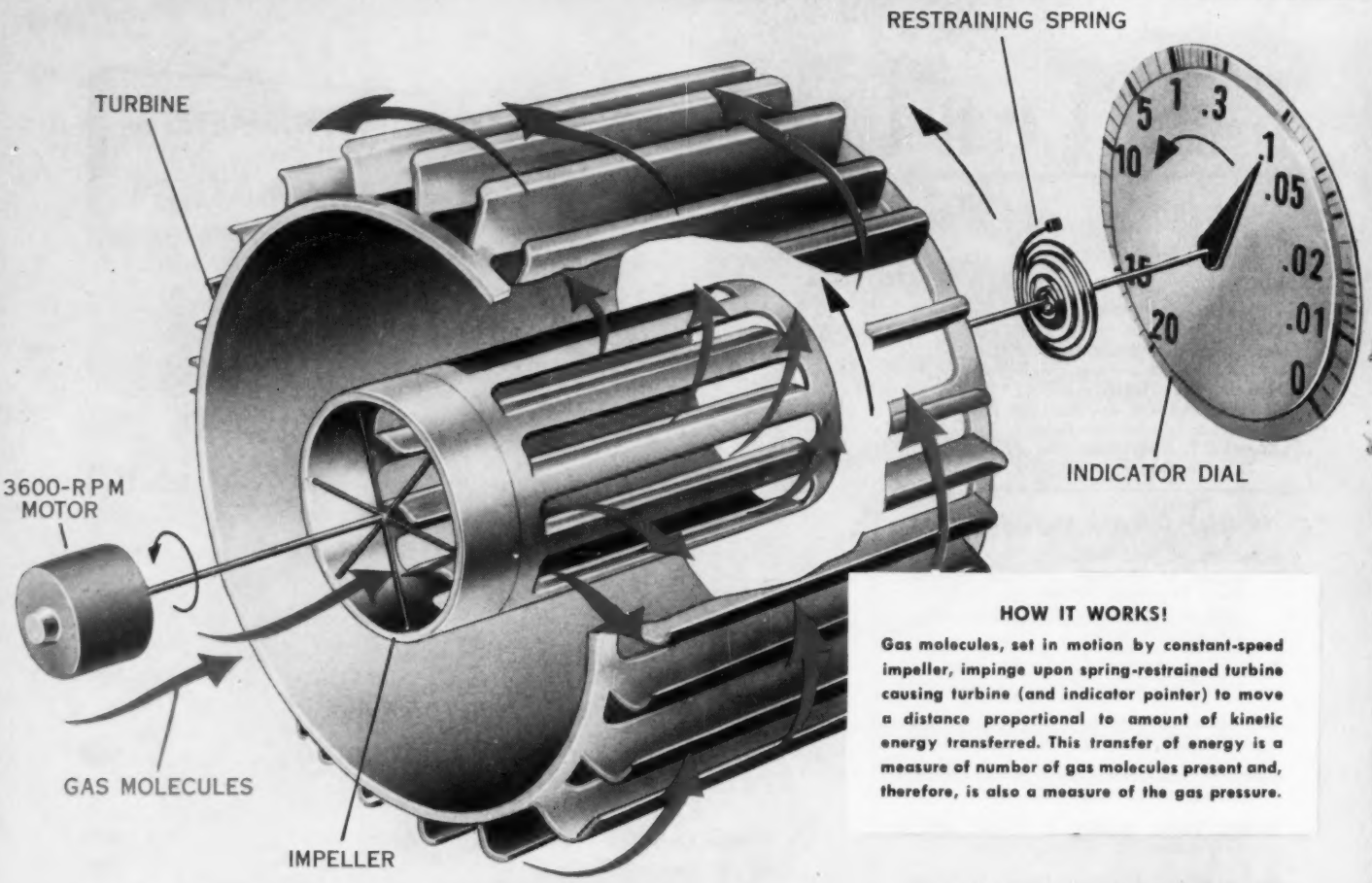

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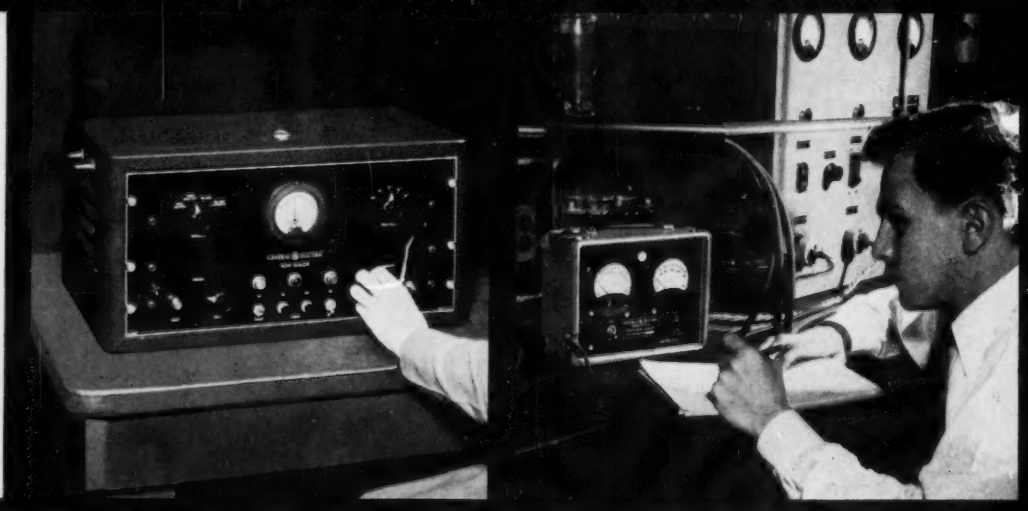

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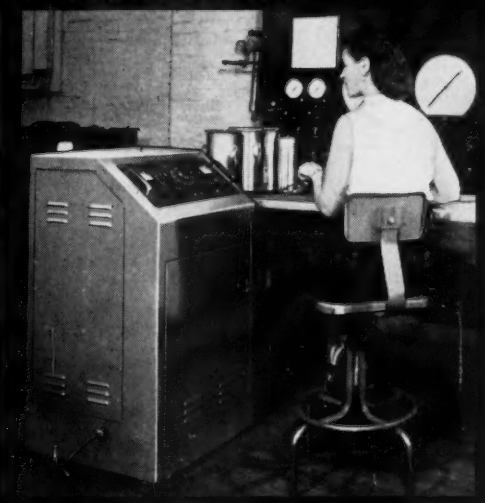

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Size . . . 7 x 22 x 11¾"; 60 pounds.

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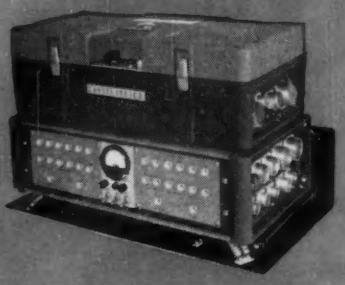
Power . . . 115 volts, single-phase, 50/60/400 cps; 225 watts.

Size . . . 5⅞ x 22 x 11¾"; 35 pounds.

*Unit contains own data-channel amplifiers, power supply, bias and flutter-control oscillators, and microphone amplifier.



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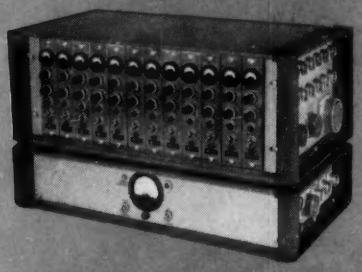

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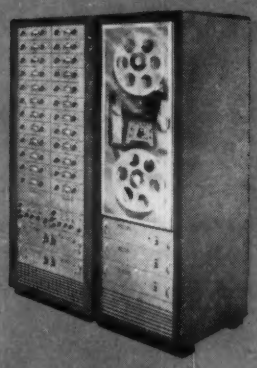

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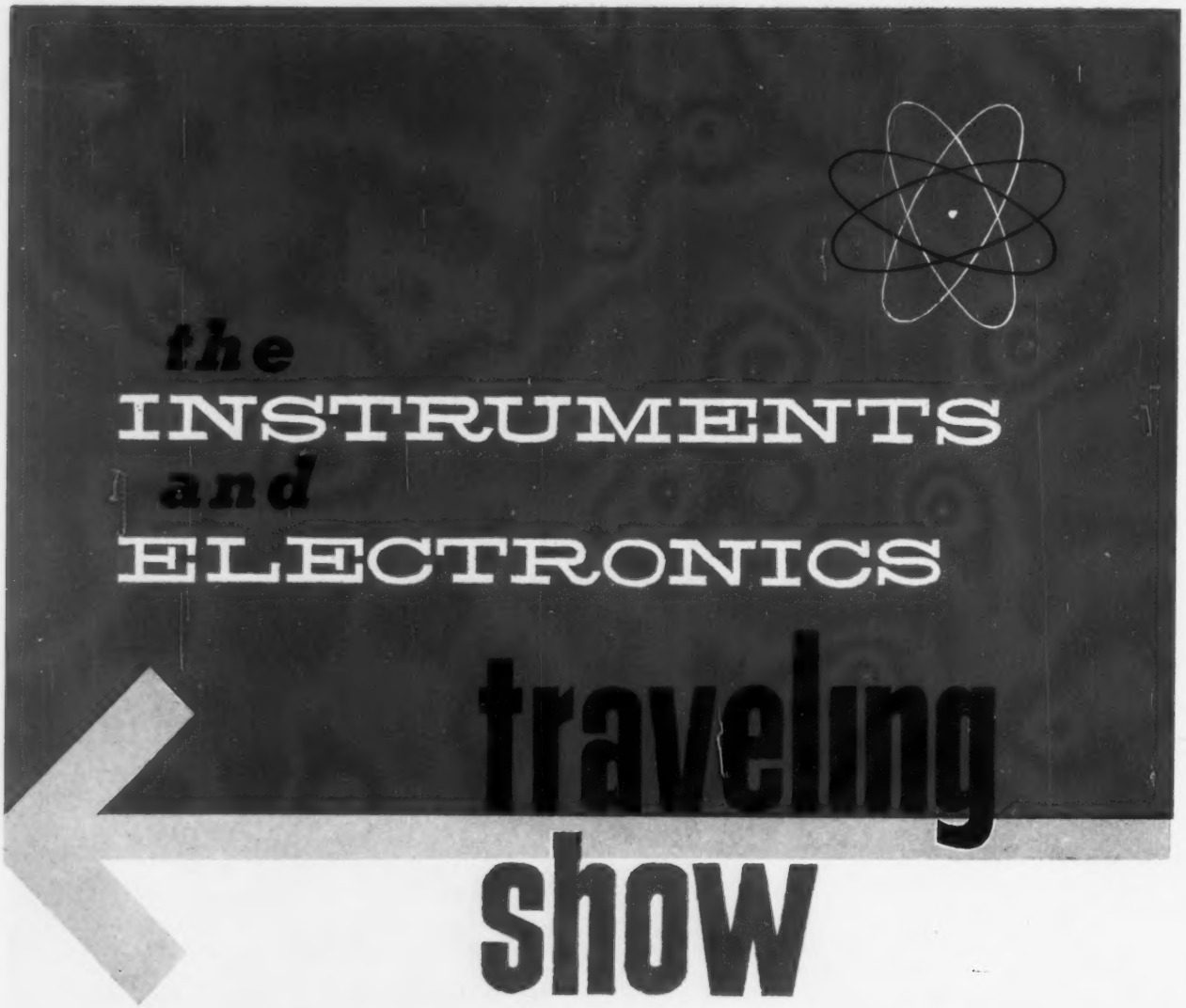

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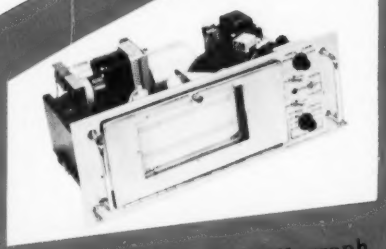
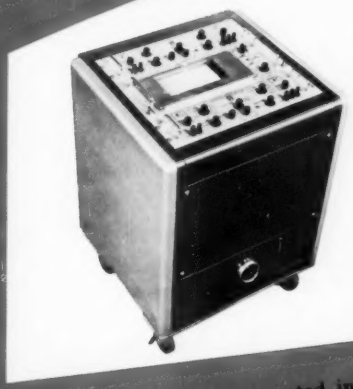
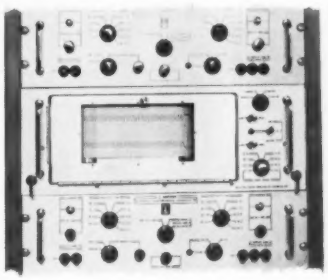


New Dual-Channel Oscillograph Model BL-262 provides internal chart take up; time and event markers can be mounted.



Oscillographs can be mounted in a mobile instrument cart or used on a test bench. Oscillograph has 7" x 19" panel, 10½" overall depth.



Dual-Channel Oscillograph shown rack mounted; also available in Single-Channel (Model BL-261).

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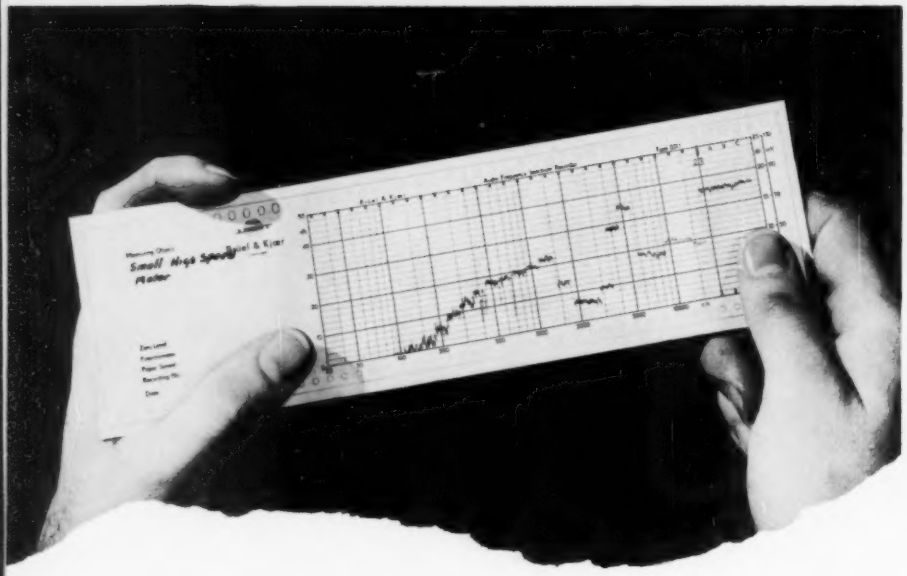

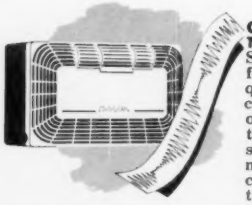

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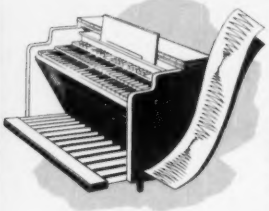

HAMMOND ORGAN . . . uses Frequency Response Recorder to test ringing time of tone generating circuits. This instrument combines a test signal source and a graphic recorder for automatically plotting frequency response curves.

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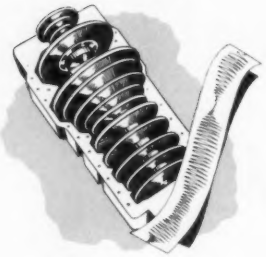

GENERAL ELECTRIC . . . uses Frequency Response Recorder to check mechanical resonance points of turbine blades for both steam and jet turbines. Instrument plots frequency against amplitude when blades are magnetically vibrated.

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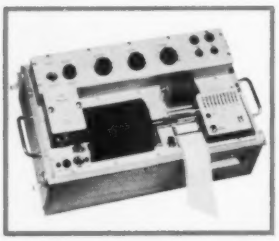
Brush offers a completely integrated line of precision equipment, developed by Bruel & Kjaer, for analysis of sound, noise, vibration. These versatile instruments can also be used in data reduction, or recording of electrical quantities. Send coupon for complete information.



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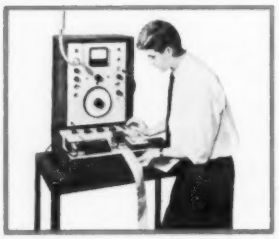

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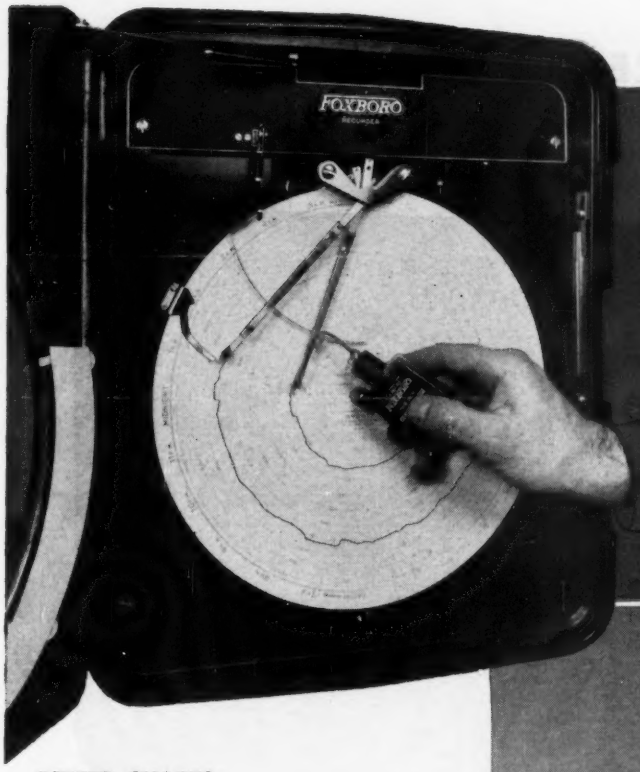

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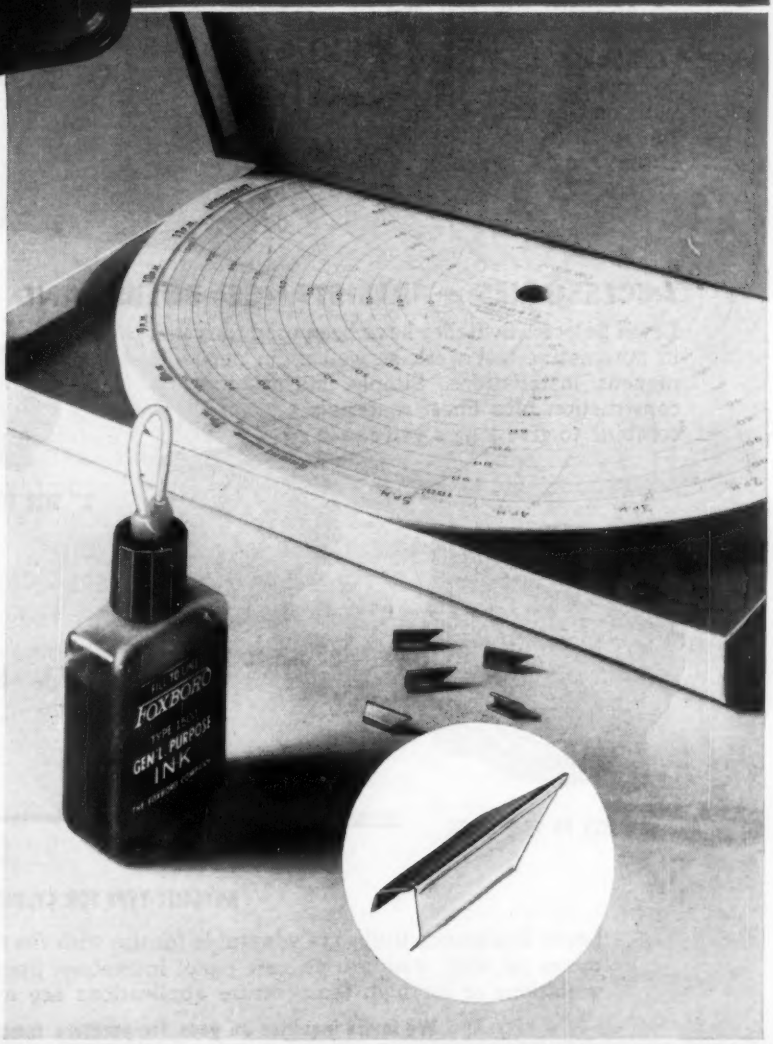

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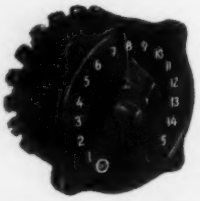

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Air traffic control is growing problem (see page 970). Number of fix postings (position reports of enroute traffic) was 8.5 million in 1948; 11.8 million in 1951; 16.8 million in 1954—and is expected to reach 24 million by 1960, 28 million by 1965. Look for increased use of Instrument Landing Systems, radar, traffic control simulators, and traffic data computers. Airline industry revenue will exceed $1 billion in 1955 (was $350 million in 1947, $880 million in 1953). CAA air traffic control towers handled 17.9 million aircraft movements in 1954 (16.8 million in 1953).

Industrial plant maintenance bill has risen from $5 billion in 1950 to $10 billion in 1954, according to GE estimate—and will be $11 billion in 1955, with increase due largely to automation.

Use of permanent magnets is increasing in industry. Uses include removing iron from pipeline products, plating tanks, hydraulic system reservoirs, molding sand, etc.; also for conveying and controlling parts and products during manufacturing; also for separating sheets of stacked materials.

Railroad communications is expanding field. Yard operations are becoming more automatic; remote control signal systems permit greater use of tracks; train crews can be reached by short-wave radio; operations research is being applied to traffic and yard problems.

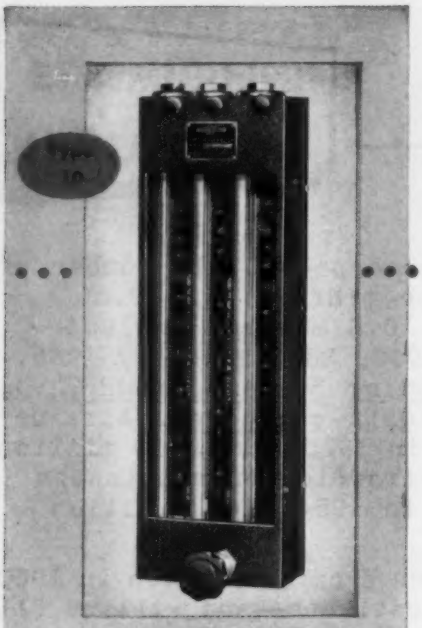
Power generating capacity of the United States doubled in the decade 1945-1954 from 50 to 100 million kw. W. K. Davis of AEC (see page 986) estimates twofold expansion (to 200 million kw) by 1965, another twofold expansion (to 400 million kw) by 1975. By 1975, 25% of generating capacity may be nuclear in nature. This will expand nuclear-instrument field.

Electronics industry total volume in 1955 is expected to exceed $9 billion—50% military, 25% communications, 20% industrial, 5% replacement. D. G. Mitchell of Sylvania predicts $15 billion annual gross by 1960, $20 billion by 1964.

Air-pollution instrumentation is expanding. Philadelphia's $6.5 million civic waste removal program includes 15 refuse furnaces with automatic electronic combustion control system (designed by M-H). Refineries in LA area alone have spent more than $25 million on smog problem.

High-pressure instrumentation is expanding. Chemical-industry pilot-plant operations are underway at 100,000 psi; laboratory chemical operations are moving into the 200,000-psi range.

Simulation technique is capturing attention of industrial control engineers. Inclusion of Simulation Council Newsletter in Instruments & Automation is bringing computer and industrial fields together. Process engineers now want to know how to get the constants out of their equipment. Control manufacturers must supply some of the answers; other data must come from within the plant. Watch for new developments in this field, which can change entire approach to operating instrumentation.



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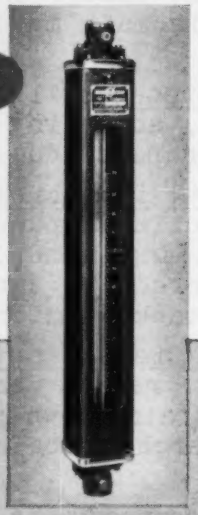

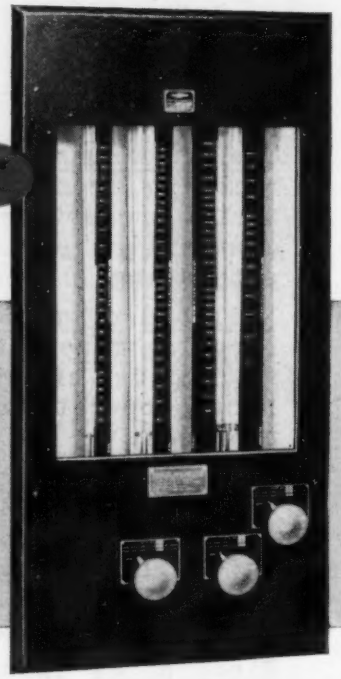

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FINANCIAL adviser services are asking their clients to observe and consider the stocks of automation firms in terms of long-range growth prospects. In the March, 1955 issue of *Instruments and Automation* a report on various firms in the automation field was published. This report, prepared by the well-known firm of Bache & Co., 36 Wall Street, New York 6, N. Y., elicited immediate interest in many diverse areas. We will continue to keep our readers posted on this data.

The following prices and price ranges are supplied by Bache & Co., 36 Wall Street, New York 5, New York

New York Stock Exchange:

	1955 Price Range (thru March 31)		March/55 Price Range		
	High	Low	High	Low	Last 3/31/55
American C. & C.	40 1/2	35 1/2	39 3/4	37	37
American Mach. & F.	33 3/4	25	33 3/4	28	32 1/2
American Mach. & M.	41 3/8	27 1/2	41 3/8	31 1/2	39
American Optical	53 1/4	39 1/8	53 1/4	44 1/2	47 7/8
Bell & Howell	37 1/4	30 1/2	37 1/4	31 1/2	35 1/4
Bendix Aviation [1]	59 1/2	52 1/2	59 1/2	52 1/2	56 3/4
Bulova Watch	62 1/2	50 3/4	58	52 3/8	56 5/8
Burroughs	31 5/8	22 7/8	31 5/8	27 1/2	29 1/8
Clevite	25 3/8	20 3/4	24 1/8	20 3/4	22 1/2
Daystrom	32 1/2	23	32 1/2	26 1/4	29 1/2
Dobeckmun	36	30 1/4	34 5/8	30 1/4	31 1/2
Gamewell	39	32 1/2	35 1/4	33	34 3/4
General Inst.	13	10	12 3/8	10 3/8	12
General Prec.	65 1/2	44 5/8	65 1/2	56	63 7/8
General Time	39 3/4	35	39 3/8	36 1/2	36 1/2
Hamilton Watch	25 1/4	20	24 3/4	22 5/8	24 3/4
Int. Bus. Mach.	404	349	404	368	397
Jaeger Machine	34 3/4	27 3/8	31 7/8	28 5/8	30 1/8
Minneapolis-Hon.	118	96 1/8	118	106 3/4	108 1/2
Nat'l Cash Reg. [2]	47	37	44 5/8	39 1/2	44
Radio Corp.	45 1/4	36 3/4	45	38 3/4	42 1/8
Raytheon	25 1/4	18	25 1/4	19 3/8	24 1/8
Rem. Rand	48 5/8	31 1/4	48 5/8	39	40 7/8
Robertshaw-F.	32 7/8	28	31 7/8	28	30 1/8
Sangamo Electric	30 3/8	26	29 3/4	26	28 7/8
Sperry Corp. [3]	65 3/8	39 3/4	65 3/8	45	63 3/4
Square D	48 3/4	43 1/2	48	43 5/8	46 1/2
L. S. Starrett	50	43 1/2	46 3/4	43 1/2	44
Sylvania Elec.	47 3/8	41	47 1/4	41	43 1/4
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Underwood	38	33 3/8	36 7/8	33 3/8	35 1/4
Weston Elec. Inst.	30 1/4	24 3/4	30 1/4	27 1/2	29 1/2

American Stock Exchange:

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American Meter	35	32 5/8	35	33	33 1/4-34 [4]
Beckman Inst.	26 7/8	21 3/4	25	21 3/4	22 7/8
Benrus Watch	10 7/8	10	10 5/8	10	10 1/4
Breeze Corp.	8 5/8	5 3/4	8 3/8	6 3/4	8
Clarostat Mfg.	8	5 7/8	8	6 3/8	7 1/2
Consol. Eng.	31 1/4	24 3/4	31	24 3/4	27
DuMont Labs.	17 1/8	13 1/4	17 1/8	14 5/8	14 5/8
ElectroData	17 3/4	12	17 3/4	14 7/8	16
Fairchild C. & I.	37 1/4	31 1/2	36 1/4	31 1/2	32
Int'l Resistance	8	5	8	7	7 7/8
Lear, Inc.	13 3/8	9 1/8	12 1/2	10 3/8	11 5/8
Nat'l Res. Corp.	33 1/4	26	28 7/8	26	28 1/4
Neptune Meter	26 3/8	21	26 3/8	22 1/2	24 1/2
New Haven Clock	3 1/2	2 5/8	2 7/8	2 5/8	2 5/8
Norden-Ketay	19 1/2	14 3/4	18 5/8	15 1/2	17 5/8
Pneumatic Scale	29 1/8	27 1/2	29 1/8	28 5/8	28 3/4-29 1/2 [4]
Servomechanisms	13 3/8	11 1/8	13 1/8	11 1/8	11 5/8
Wallace & Tiernan	26 7/8	22 3/8	25	22 3/8	23 1/8
Waltham Watch	2 7/8	1 3/8	2 3/4	1 7/8	2

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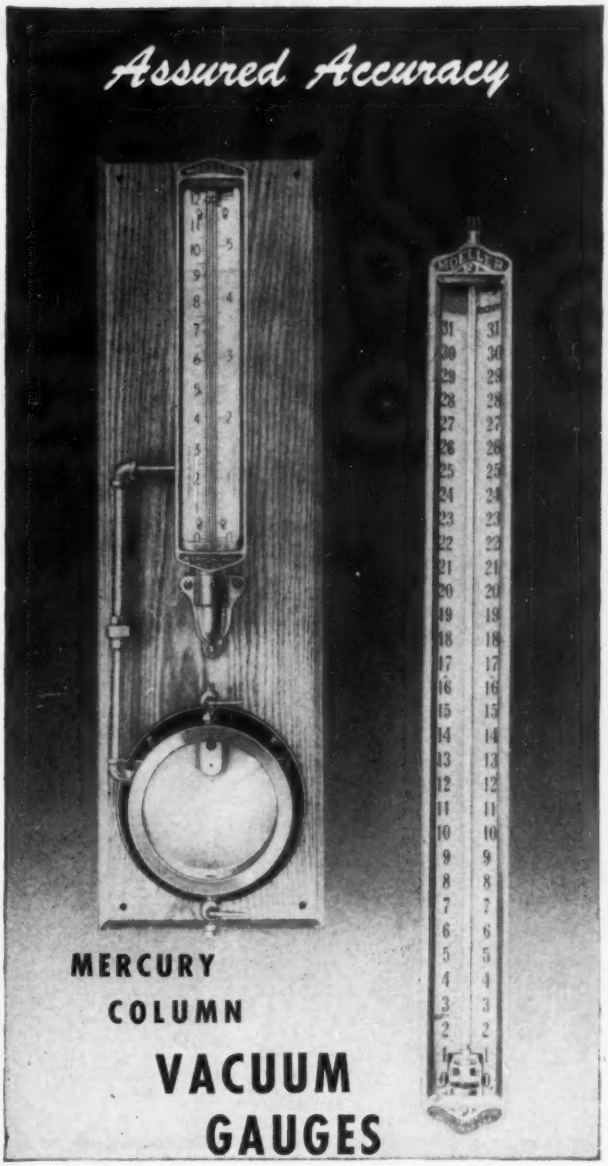

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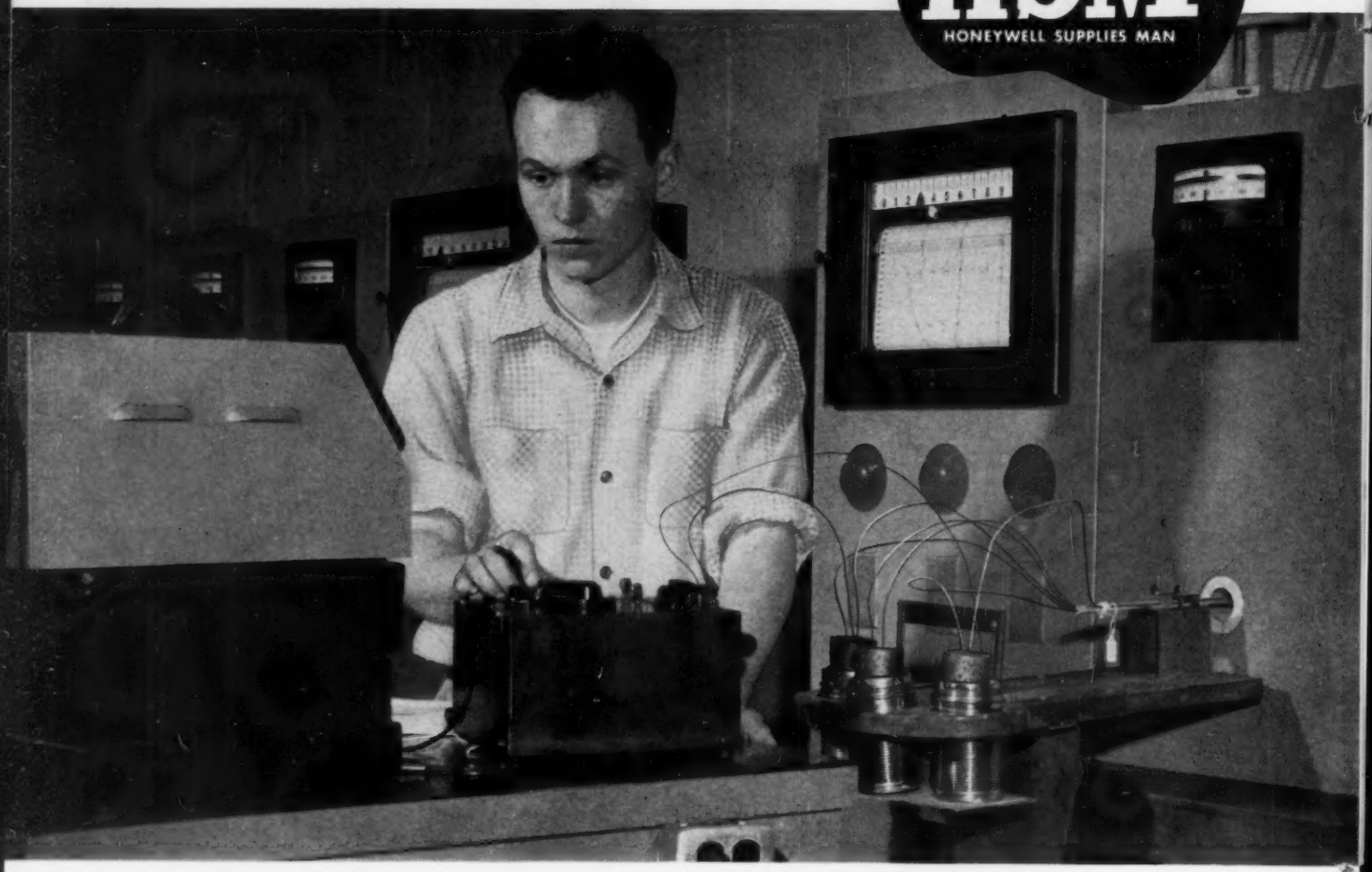

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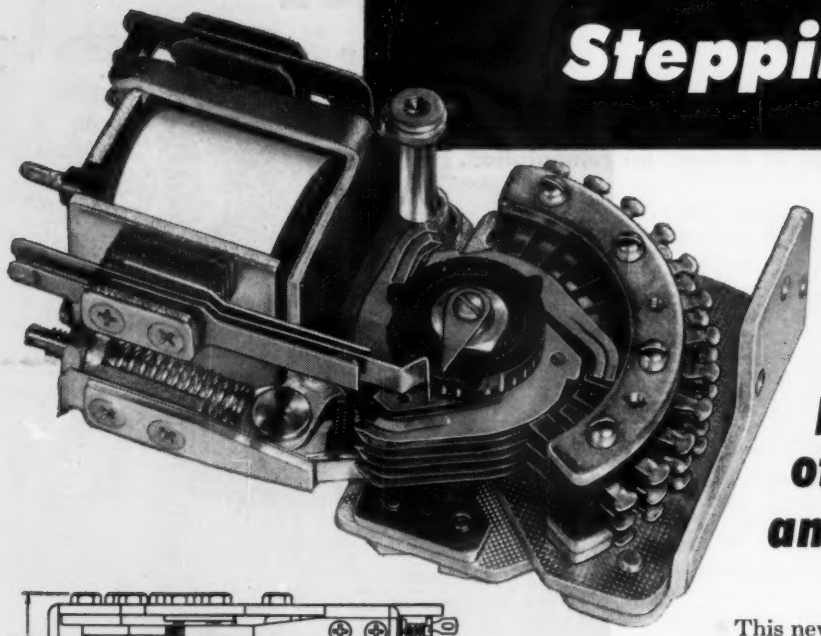

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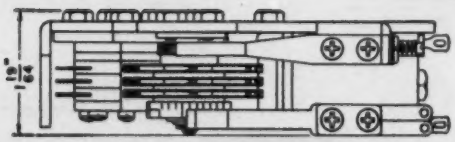

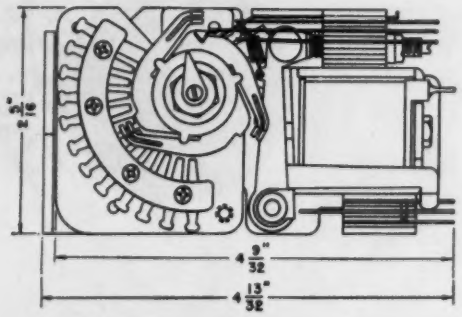

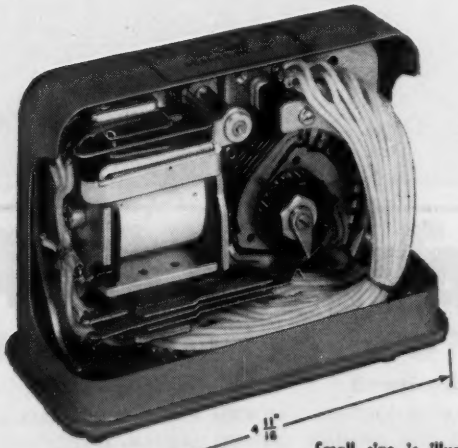

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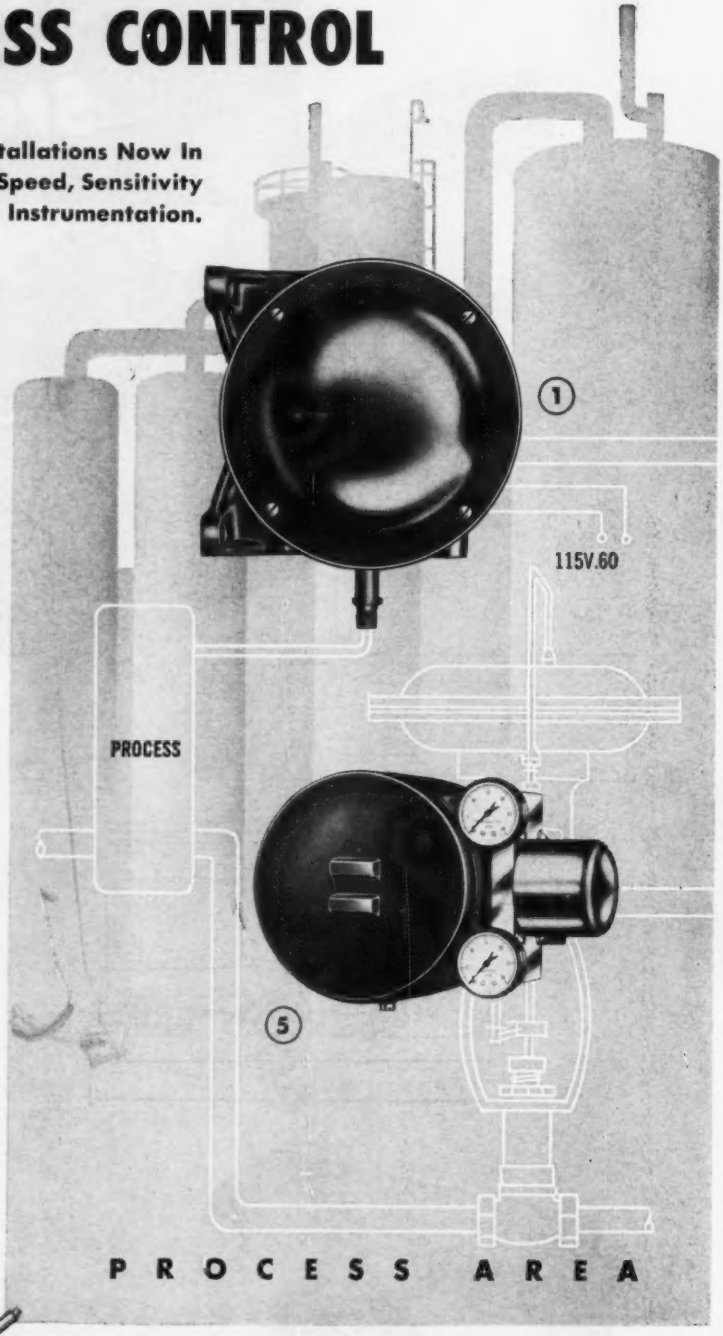

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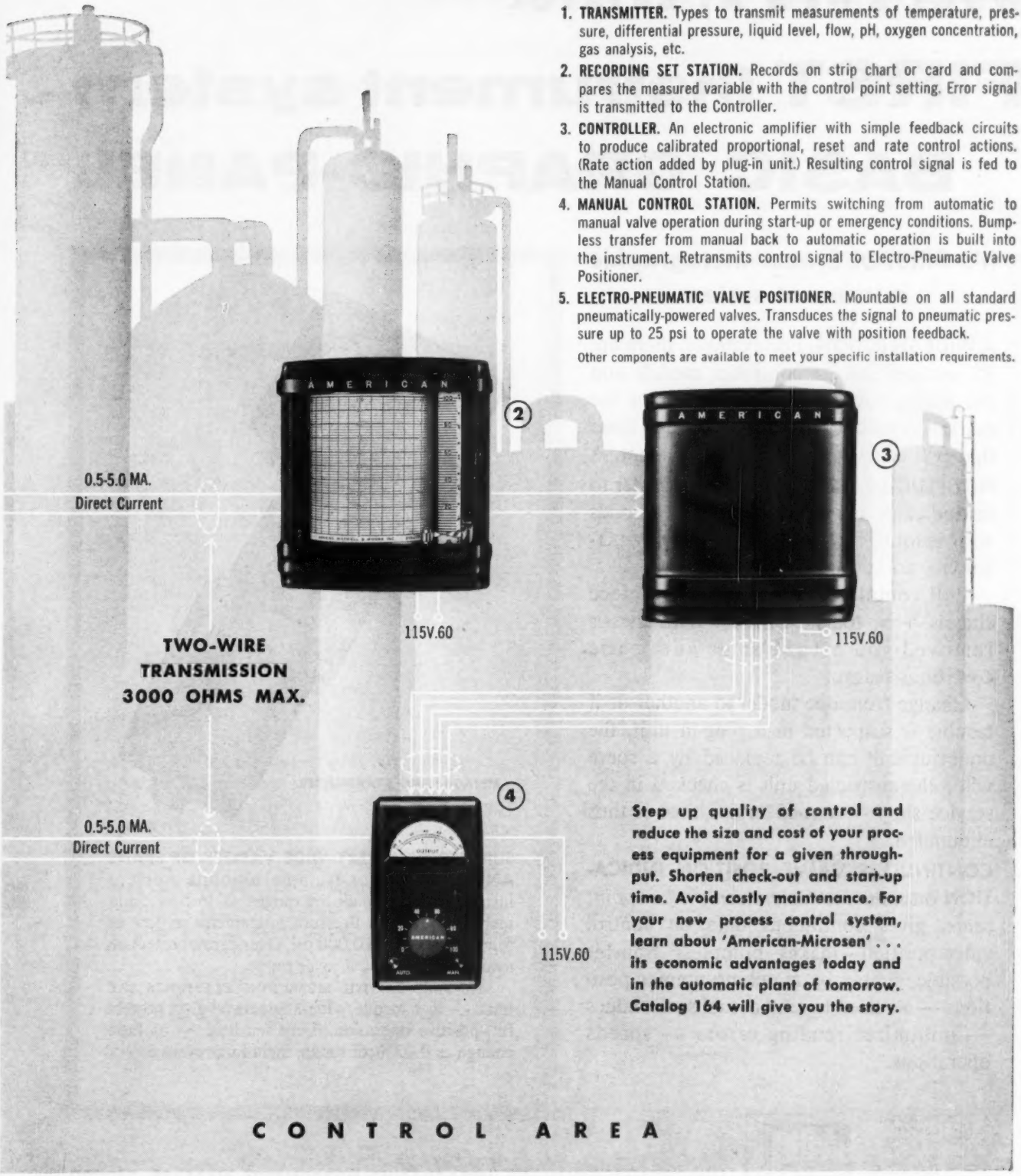

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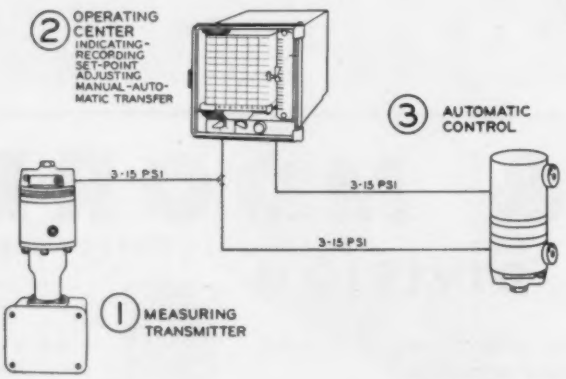

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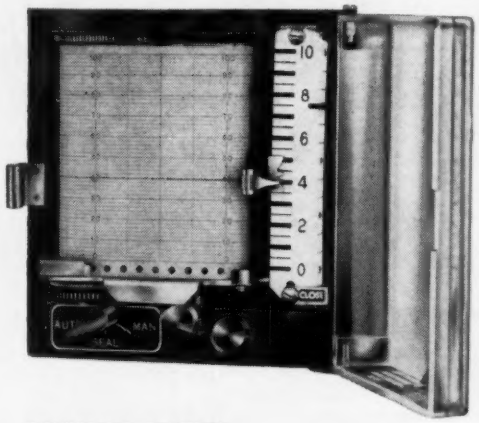

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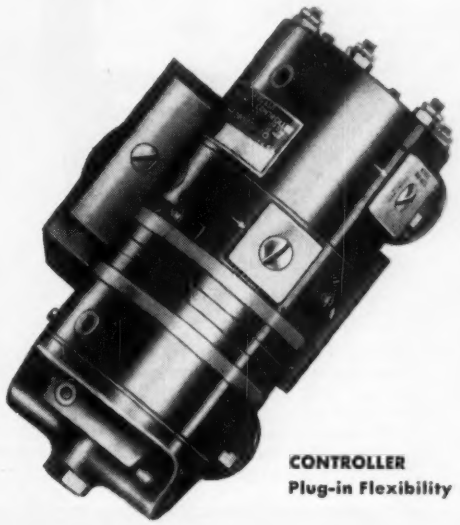

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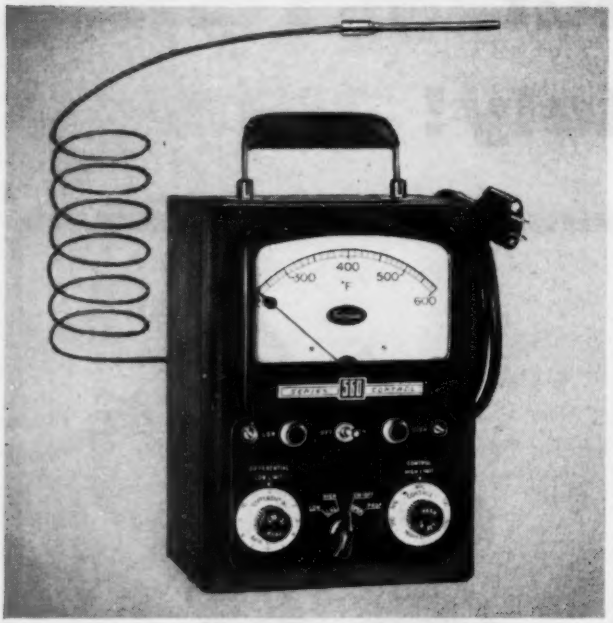

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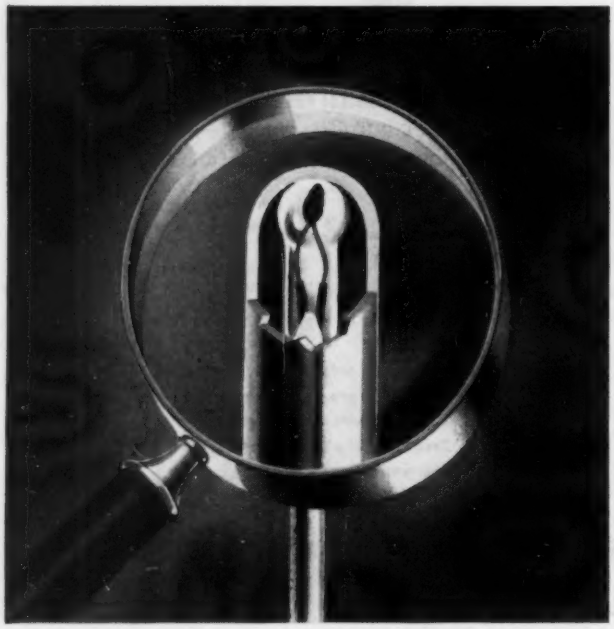

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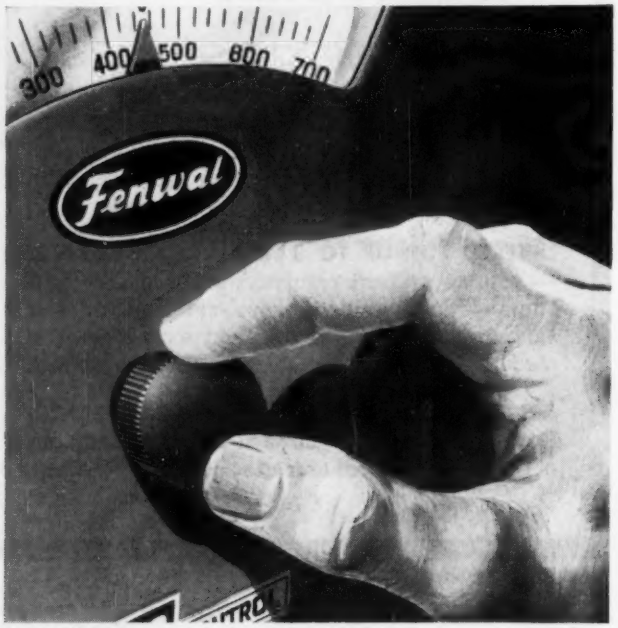

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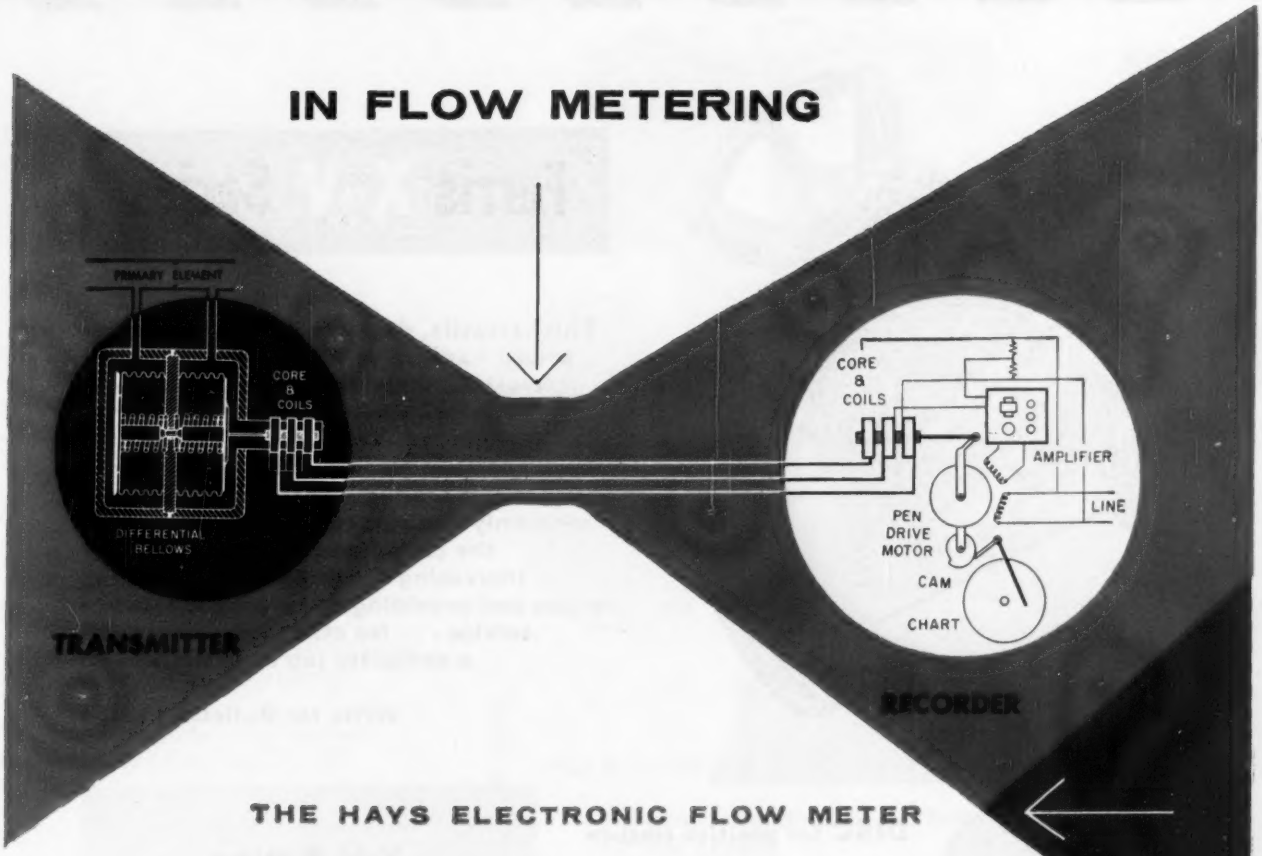

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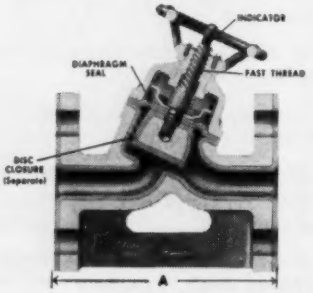

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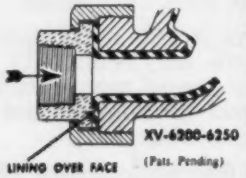

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INSTRUMENTS and AUTOMATION

SAMA Elects New Officers

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. VA.—H. F. Dever was elected President of the Scientific Apparatus Makers Association at the annual meeting of the Association, April 26. Dever, President, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Brown Instrument Division, Philadelphia, succeeds E. J. Albert, President, Thwing-Albert Instrument Company, Philadelphia, who has held the office for the past two years.

H. F. Dever (left) receives the gavel from E. J. Albert.

T. M. Mints, President, E. H. Sargent Co., Chicago, was re-elected treasurer of SAMA.

Newly elected SAMA section chairmen include: Louis L. Vayda, President, Bacharach Industrial Instrument Co., Pittsburgh, industrial instruments; G. H. Burrell, President, Burrell Corp., Pittsburgh, laboratory apparatus; O. L. Lethander, President, Leonard Peterson & Co., Chicago, laboratory equipment; P. R. Bassett, President, The Sperry Corp., Great Neck, L. I., N. Y., nautical, aeronautical and military instruments; L. B. McKinley, V.P., Scientific Instrument Division, Bausch & Lomb Optical Co., Rochester, N. Y., optical; and B. H. Bristol, President, The Foxboro Company, Foxboro, Mass., recorder-controller section.

Newly elected SAMA directors-at-large include: G. W. Tall, Jr., V. P., Leeds & Northrup Co., Philadelphia; R. E. Welch, W. M. Welch Mfg. Co., Chicago; E. J. Albert, President, Thwing-Albert Instrument Company, Philadelphia; Russell Brittingham, V. P., Corning Glass Works, Corning, N. Y.; and E. J. Rhein, Sales Mgr., Scientific Division, Kimble Glass Company, Toledo.

President pro tempore of the association will be appointed by the incoming board of directors.

Transistor Life-test Data

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Radio Receptor Co., Inc., New York 11, N. Y., reports that in one group of 487 transistors in clamped flip-flop operation at M.I.T. for a total of 4 million transistor hours, there was one failure. In a second group of 128 transistors in unclamped flip-flop operation for a total of 1.35 million transistor hours, the number of failures was three. The transistors were unselected RR14's from standard production, manufactured in 1953.

Rimbach Honored by Japanese

CHIBA-SHI, JAPAN.—Richard Rimbach, publisher of *Instruments and Automation, Instrument & Apparatus News,* and *Instrument Manufacturing,* has been honored by being voted the first honorary membership in the Japanese Society of Automatic Control. His beautifully engraved scroll, shown here, reads "Richard Rimbach, Esquire—This committee, in accordance with the 8th article of (the society's) constitution, has voted and bestowed upon you honorary membership in this society. January 21, 1955. Society of Automatic Control."

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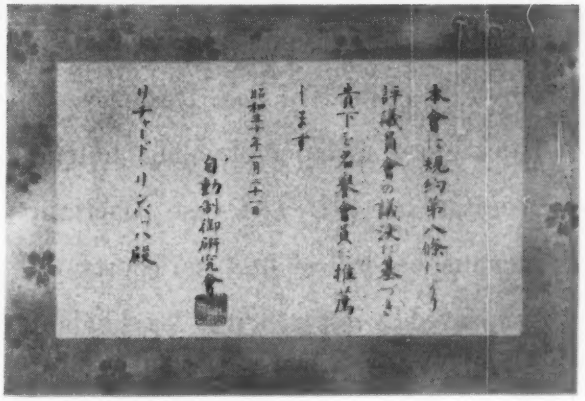

The first column at the left reads "Richard Rimbach, Esquire." The second column reads "Society of Automatic Control," with the society seal at the bottom. The President of the Society of Automatic Control is Dr. Kankuro Kaneshige, Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo, Chiba-Shi, Japan.

Disc-type Magnetic Recorder

HOUSTON, TEXAS.—Use of an oxide-coated 18-¾ inch-diameter disc as the recording medium makes possible the recording up to 96 data channels on one easy-to-load plastic disc, and avoids playback discontinuities, time-consuming loading operation, data limitations, and other restrictions associated with many magnetic recording systems.

Shown in Fig. 1 is a truck-mounted seismic system using the new "magneDISC" principle of Houston Technical Laboratories, Houston 6, Texas. As recording is done in one complete revolution of the disc (5½ seconds), the

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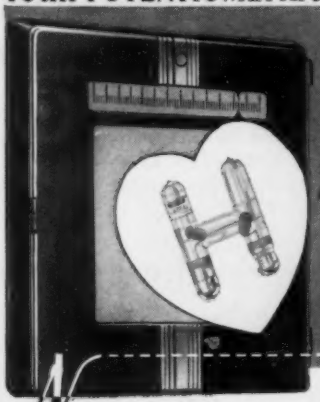

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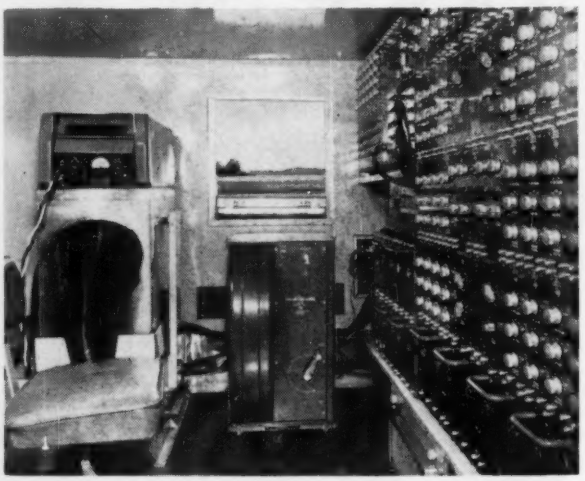

Fig. 1. Truck-mounted seismic system of Geophysical Service Inc. includes magneDISC recorder (center) and amplifier system (right).

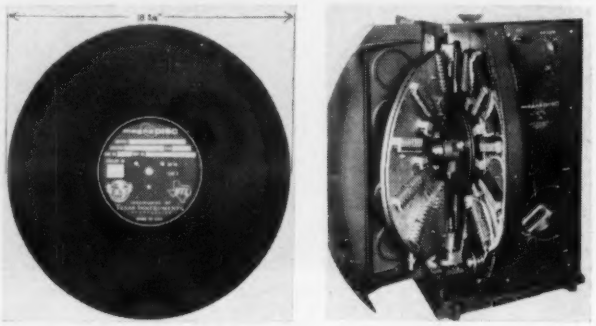

Fig. 2. Oxide-coated disc has diameter of 18 ¾ inches. Up to 96 recording heads are mounted as shown at right.

shot may be fired at any time, thus eliminating recorder starting problems. Discs are changed simply by pushing the "eject" button and slipping a new disc in place. Disc records can be stored easily.

Although use is shown in seismic recording (where advantages include immediate recording of many channels using different filter combinations, and large reduction in number of shots required) the basic feature of recording 96 channels in a 5-½ second interval opens many instrumentation possibilities (motor testing, jet engine starts, transient analysis, etc.).

The conventional magneDISC seismic system uses the standard "HTL 7000" seismic amplifier system, providing three AGC speeds and a combination of 1380 filter settings. Equipped with magnetic recording heads for 48 seismic channels and 12 auxiliary channels, the standard model can record four 24-trace shots per disc. The recorder can be supplied also with 96 recording heads, plus 19 auxiliary heads, grouped to record six 16-trace shots, two 48-trace shots, or one 96-trace shot. The disc is driven by a fork-controlled d-c motor to which it is gear coupled.

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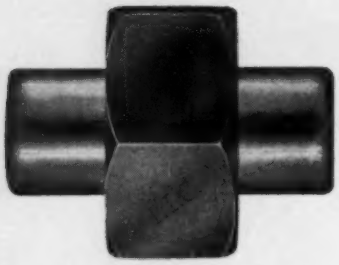

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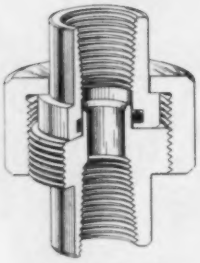

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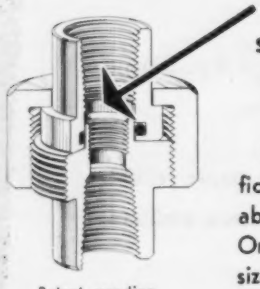

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Humble Oil Committee on Instrumentation

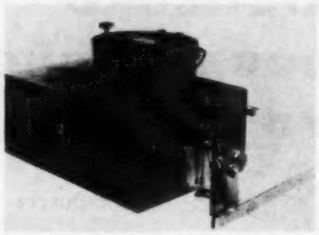
BAYTOWN, TEXAS.—Recognizing the importance of instruments to any large industry, a committee on instrumentation has been organized at Humble Oil & Refining Company's Baytown, Texas, refinery. G. S. Bays, assistant process superintendent, is chairman; other members are T. M. Hoffman, senior mechanical engineer (supervisory); J. R. Martin, general foreman, Instrument Department; B. W. Thomas, research specialist; and J. L. Walker, technical specialist.

J. R. Martin

The committee will serve to bring representatives of the various refinery divisions together periodically to encourage advancements in the utilization of new instrument developments to insure that the refinery derives all practical benefits from instruments. It will search for places in the refinery where improved instrumentation might yield the most in efficiency, appraise developments in instruments, and observe instruments installed for experimental operation to assist in deciding which new instruments to place in permanent operation and which to abandon. The committee will report and make its recommendations to the general superintendent.

Ford Instrument Museum

LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y.—Ford Instrument Company, one of 14 divisions of The Sperry Corporation, observed its 40th anniversary by dedicating a permanent



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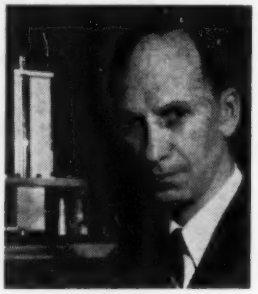
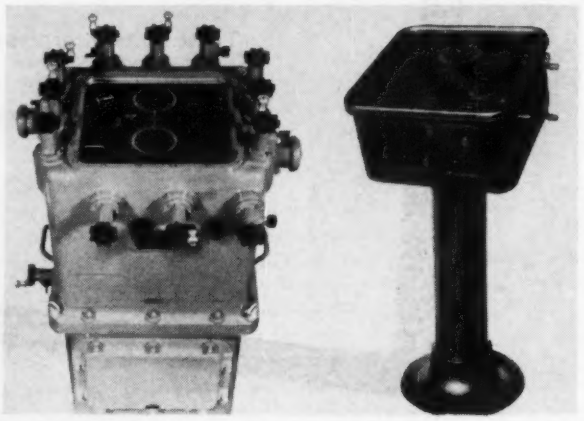


Raymond F. John, President & General Mgr.



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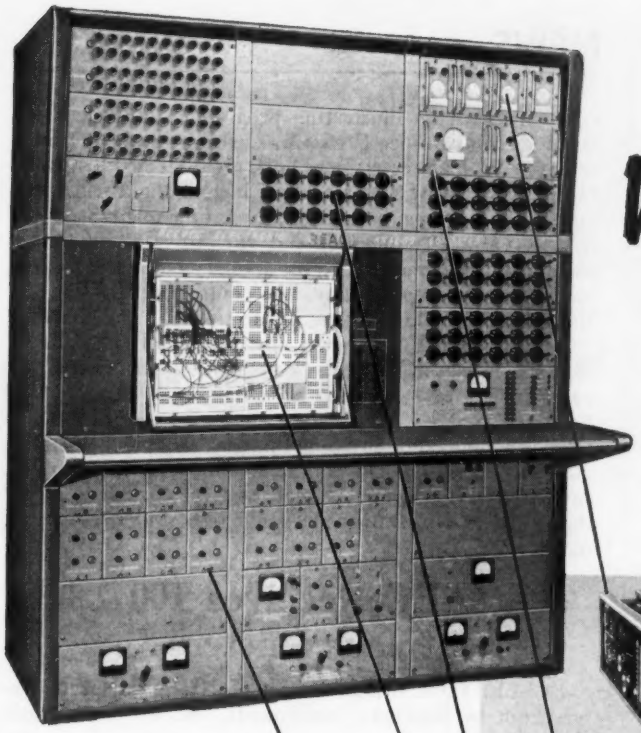

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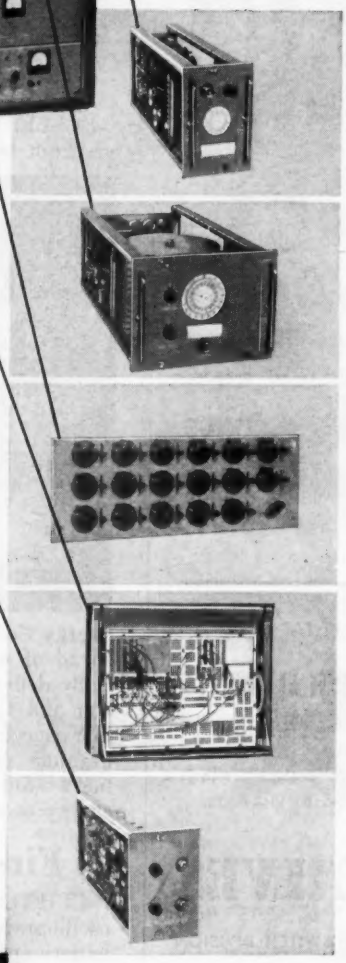

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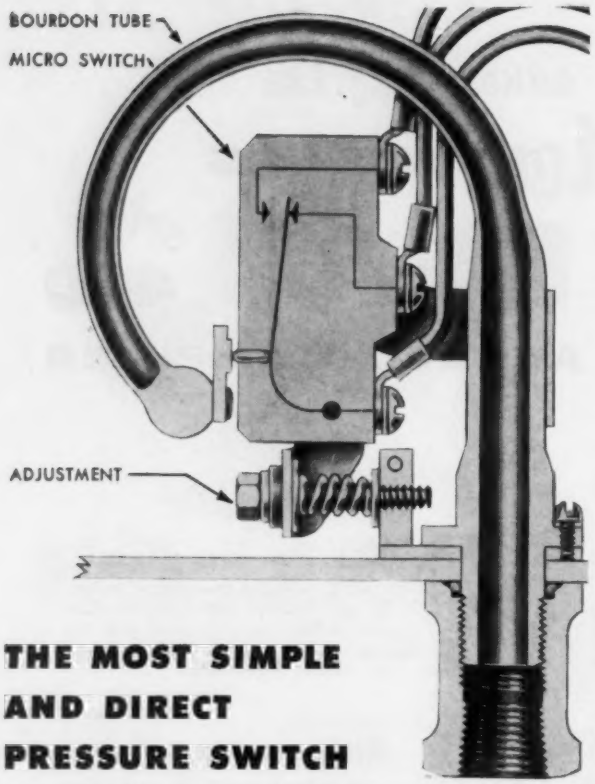

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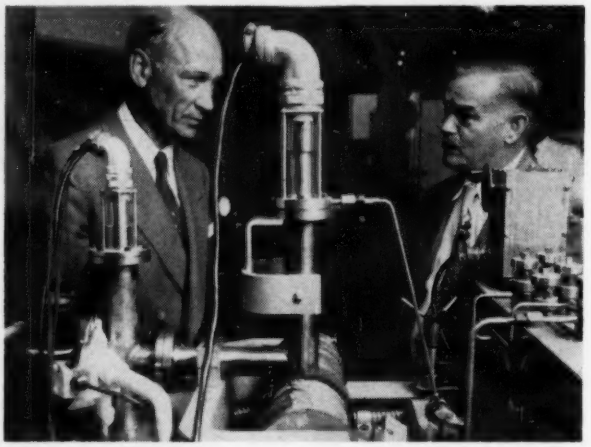
company museum illustrating progress in the science of weapons control since 1915. Chief exhibits in the museum, only one in the Greater New York area devoted primarily to the history of weapons control, include the world's first automatic tracking bombsight, first time-of-flight clock, first anti-aircraft computer and gun director, first automatic computer and plotter for artillery battery direction, and first automatic "brain" for controlling gunfire, the Range Keeper, Mark I (see illustration).

In dedicating the museum, Mr. Raymond Jahn, President and General Manager of the Ford Instrument Company said: "This room is a memorial to Hannibal C. Ford, our founder. Mr. Ford revolutionized naval warfare by developing and building the first computer to automatically solve the problem of range between two moving ships. From his historic Range Keeper Mark I, grew all the complex fire control mechanisms of our present-day naval vessels."

AEC Receives 100 Spectrometers

FULLERTON, CALIF.—Last of 100 mass spectrometers built by Beckman Instruments, Inc. for the Atomic



Energy Commission is turned over to AEC nearly a year ahead of schedule. Dr. Arnold O. Beckman (left), officially delivers the instrument to Raymond D. High, Carbon and Carbide Chemicals Co., AEC plant operators. Mass spectrometers will be used in quality control during uranium processing, and will aid current program to boost atomic energy stockpiles and to expand atomic-energy production facilities.

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CLIFTON, N. J.—For the first time, the cathode-ray oscillograph has been experimentally developed into a battery-operated unit which employs practical transistors instead of conventional vacuum tubes. This development was performed by the Instrument Division of Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc. The complete oscillograph has a volume of ¼ cubic foot and weighs 16 pounds. The power required by the circuits is less than one watt and the entire unit consumes less than 5 watts. The response of the transistor oscillograph is 20 cycles to 150 kc, down three db. The sensitivity is 200 mv per inch thru the high-impedance input and 500 mv per inch thru the low impedance input. The unit has a rise time better than 2 microseconds and a writing rate of from 3 to 100,000 microseconds per inch.

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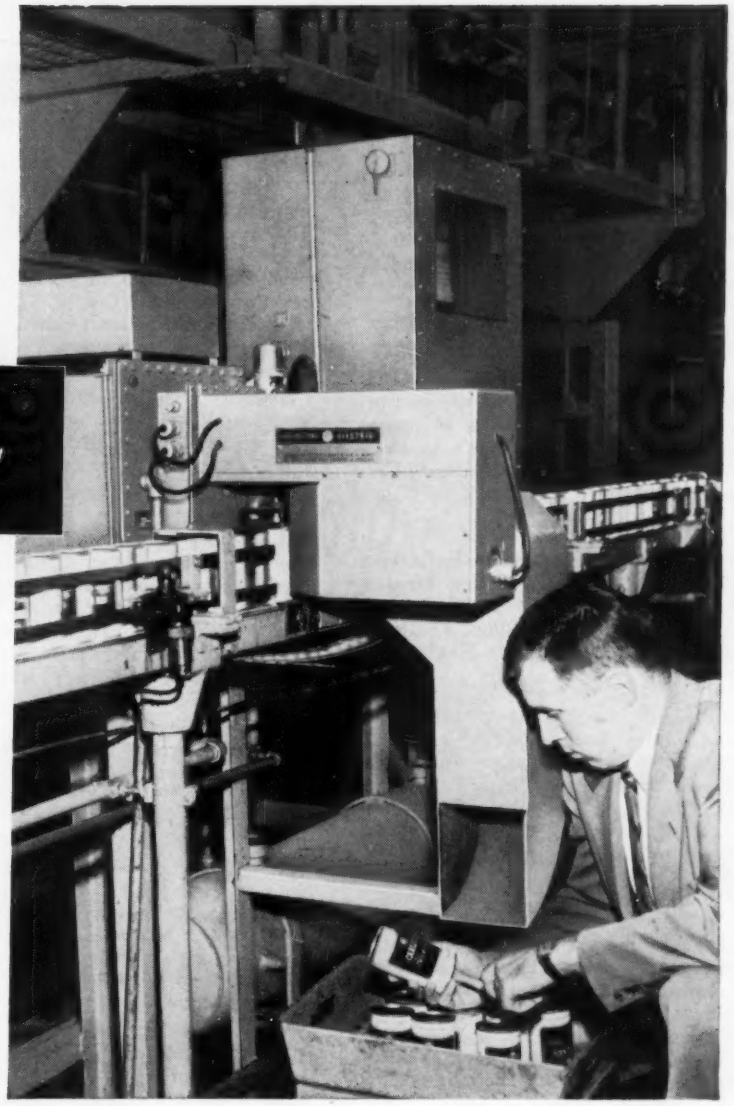

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June 27-July 1

Case Institute course on Resistance Strain Gage Techniques. For information write Case Institute of Technology, 10900 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 6, Ohio.

June 27-29

First Annual Meeting of the American Nuclear Society, at Pennsylvania State University, "will be representative of all major interests in peacetime atomic energy." Write to Prof. W. W. Miller, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pa.

June 28-July 9

Third British Instrument Industries' Exposition at Earl's Court, London. For information write F. W. Bridges & Sons, Ltd., Grand Bldg., Trafalgar Square, London W. C. 2, England.

July 10-23

Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry Conference on Statistics in the Paper Industry, Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis. For information write Fred R. Sheldon, Becco Chemical Div., Food Machinery Corp., Buffalo 7, N.Y.

July 20-22

The Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, announces the first Annual Short Course on Instrumentation for Industry, Monterrey, N.L. Mexico. For information write Ing. Carlos Lopez Garcia, Depar tamento de Ingenieria Quimica.

July 25-27

Conference on Systems Engineering, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana. For information write John M. Cage, c/o Purdue University.

August 1-12

University of Michigan Summer Session on "Digital Computers and Data Processors—A Report from the Users." For information write John W. Carr, Digital Computation Dept., Willow Run Research Center, University of Michigan, Ypsilanti, Mich.

August 17-19

"The Computing Laboratory in the University", University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis. For information write Preston C. Hammer, Numerical Analysis Laboratory, University of Wisconsin.

August 22-23

"Electronics and Automatic Production" Symposium, sponsored by Stanford Research Institute and National Industrial Conference Board, at San Francisco. For information, write to the Institute at Palo Alto, Calif.; or to the NICB, 247 Park Ave., New York, N.Y.

August 22-Sept. 2

Summer Program in "Numerical Control of Machine Tools" will be held at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. For information write Summer Session Office, Rm. 7-103, M.I.T., Cambridge 39, Mass.

August 24-Sept. 3

12th Annual British National Radio Show will be held at Earls Court, London, England. For information write Andrew Reid, 11, Garrick St., London WC. 2, England.

August 24-26

1955 IRE Western Electronics Show and Convention, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, Calif. For information write W. A. Edson, Applied Electronics Laboratory, Stanford, Calif.

September 12-16

Tenth Annual Conference and Exhibit of the Instrument Society of America will be held at Shrine Exposition Hall and Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif. For information write Fred J. Tabery, 3443 South Hill St., Los Angeles 7, Calif.

September 14-16

Annual General Meeting of the Association for Computing Machinery, Moore School of Electrical Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, Phila. For information write Sidney Kaplan, R.C.A., Building 13-2, Camden 2, N. J.

September 28-30

Sixth TAPPI Testing Conference, Sheraton-Kimball Hotel, Springfield, Mass. For information write Wm. Schoenberg, 1878 East 18th St., Cleveland 14, Ohio.

October 3-5

11th Annual National Electronics Conference, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill. For information write J. Kocek, c/o Illinois Bell Telephone Co., 208 W. Washington St., Rm 300, Chicago 6, Ill.

October 3-6

25th Annual Meeting of Society of Exploration Geophysicists, Shirley Savoy Hotel, Denver, Colo. For information write Colin Cambell, 624 S. Cheyenne, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

October 5-14

Tenth General Conference on Weights and Measures will be held in Paris and Sevres, France. For information write National Bureau of Standards, U. S. Dept. of Commerce, Washington 25, D.C.

October 13-15

Committee on Vacuum Techniques, Inc., will hold their Second Symposium on Vacuum Technology at Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh 13, Penna. For information write Rudy Koehler, c/o Box 1282, Boston 9, Mass.

October 24-25

First Annual Technical Meeting of the Professional Group on Electron Devices of the I.R.E., will be held at The Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

October 27-28

11th Annual Meeting of National Conference on Industrial Hydraulics, LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

November 3-4

Fourth Annual Louisiana Polytechnic Institute Instruments Conference, Ruston, Louisiana. For information write School of Engineering.

November 13-18

American Society of Mechanical Engineers' 75th Annual Meeting, Hotel Congress, Chicago, Ill.

November 14-17

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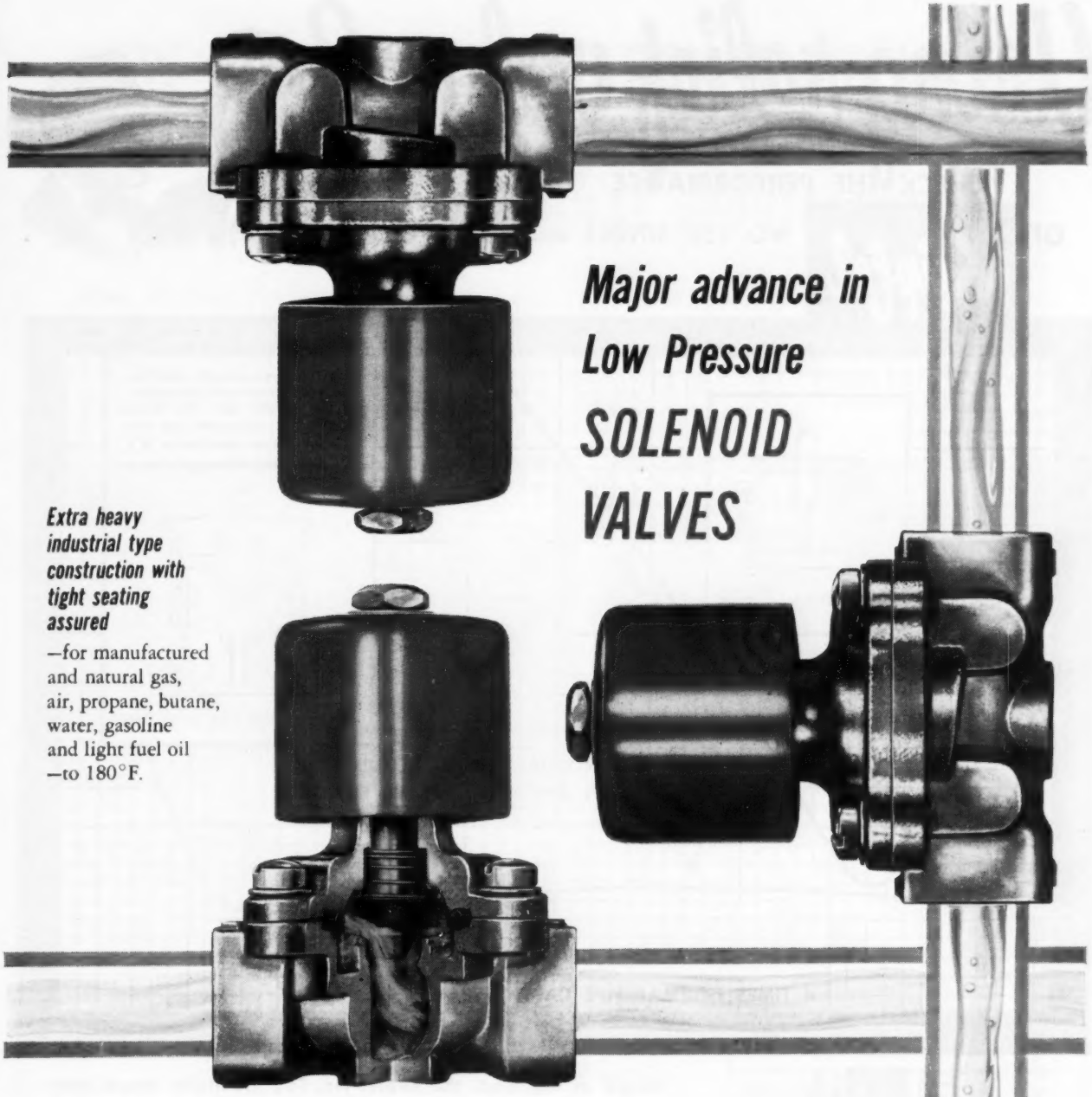

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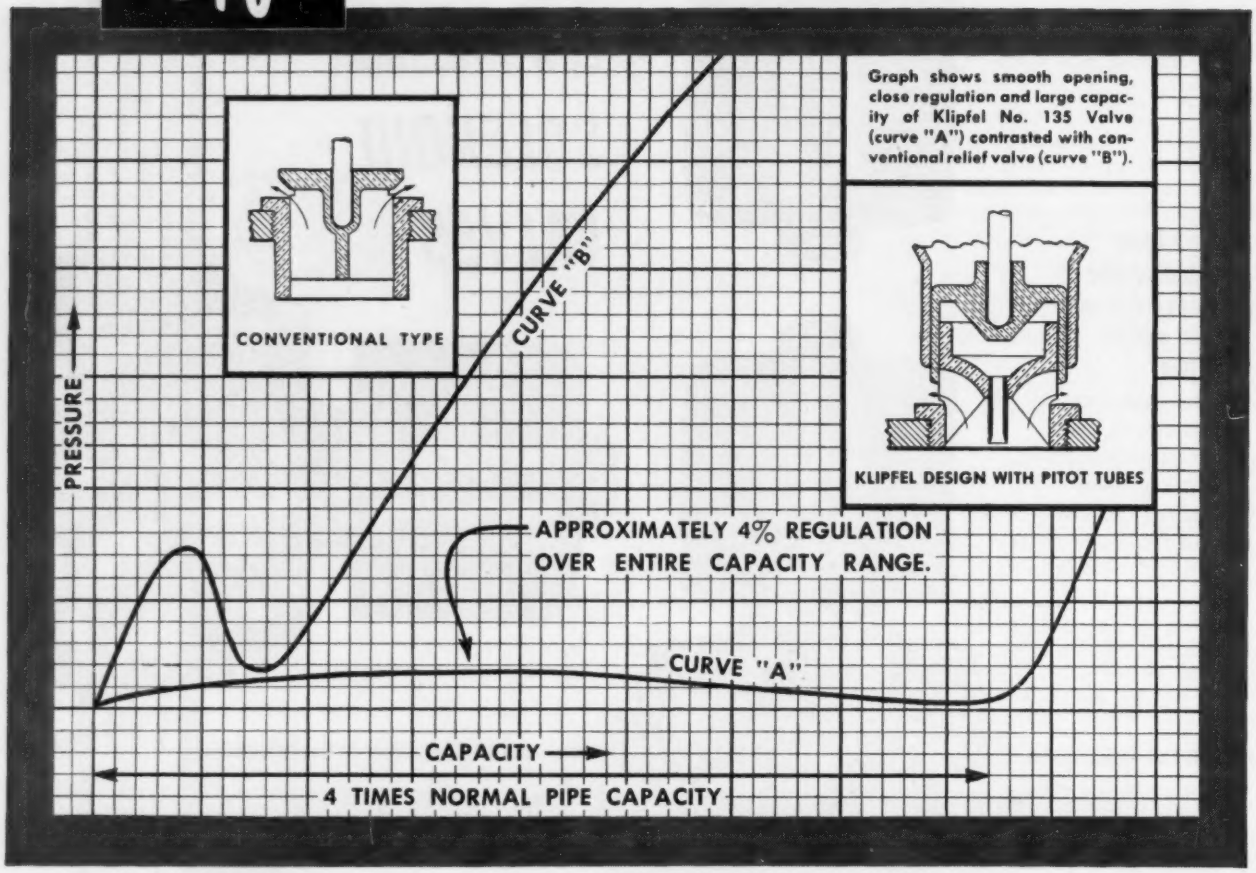
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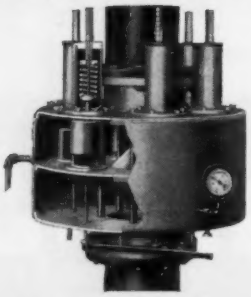

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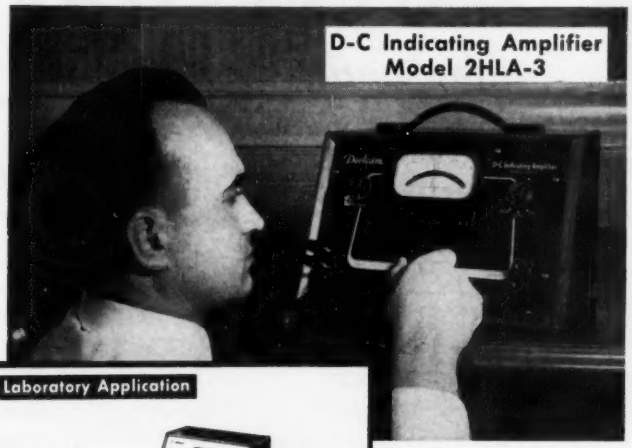

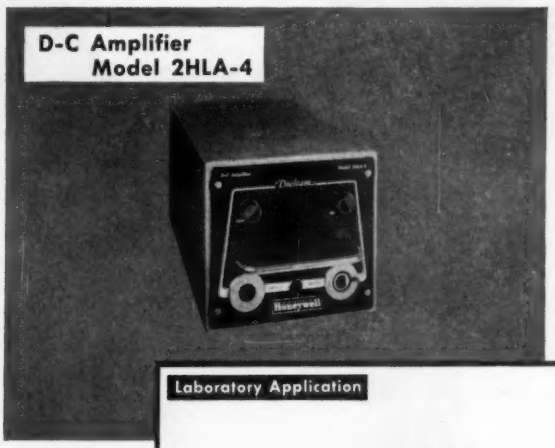

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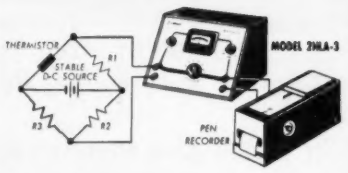

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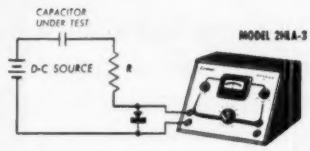

Measuring the dielectric leakage current of capacitors.

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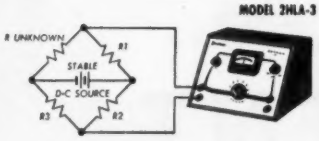

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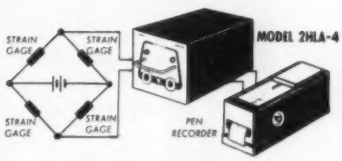

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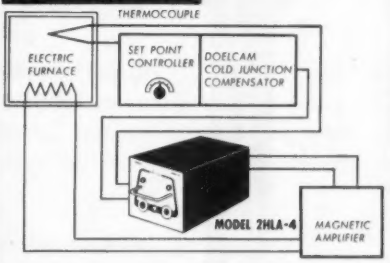

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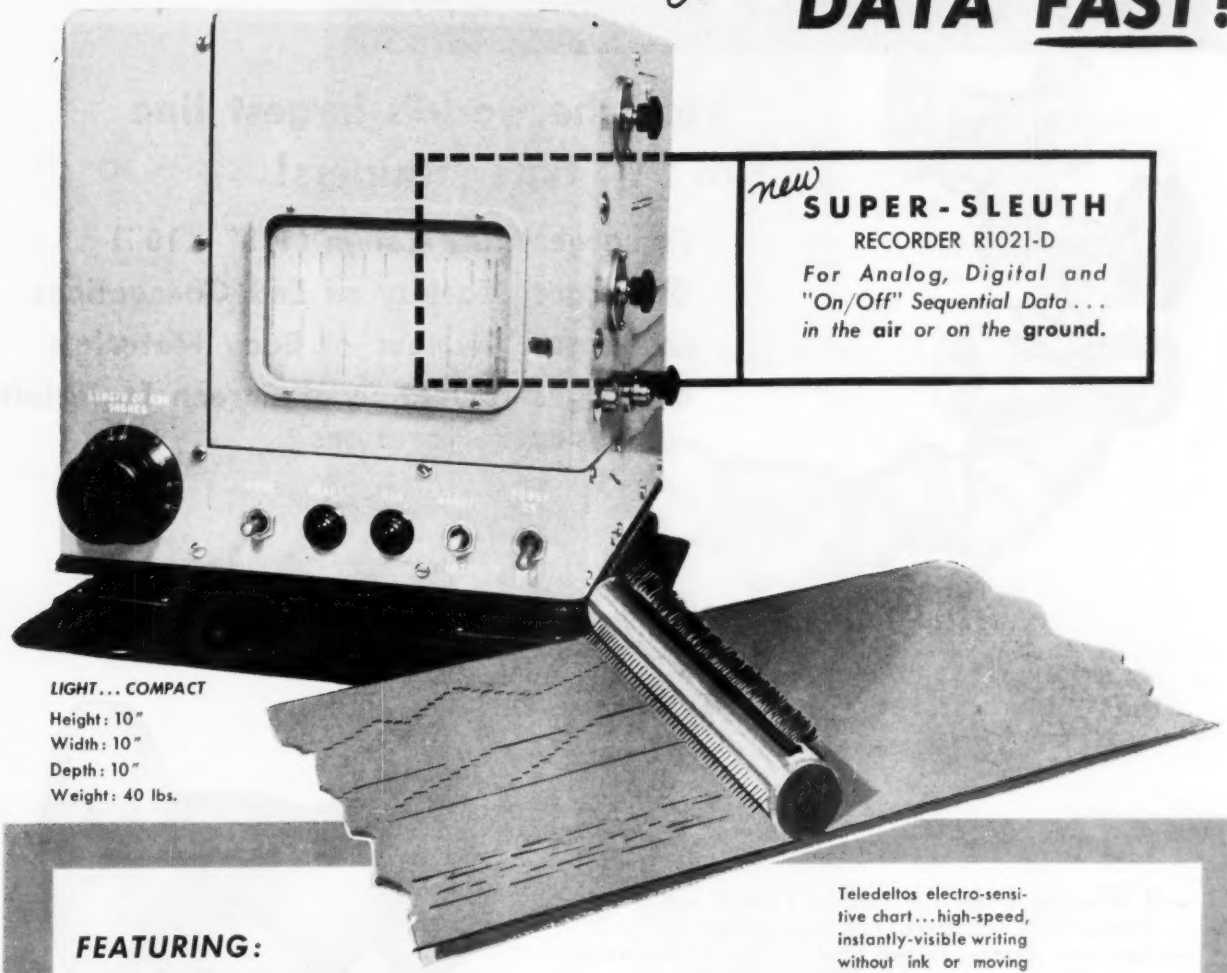

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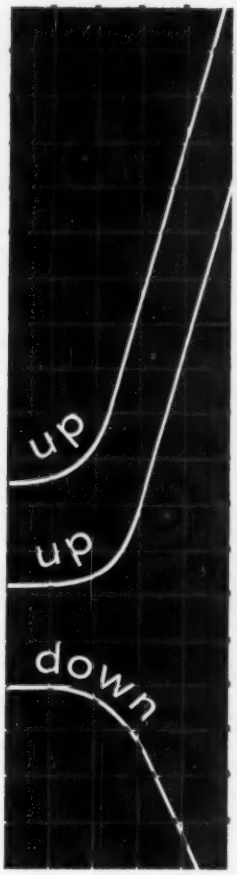

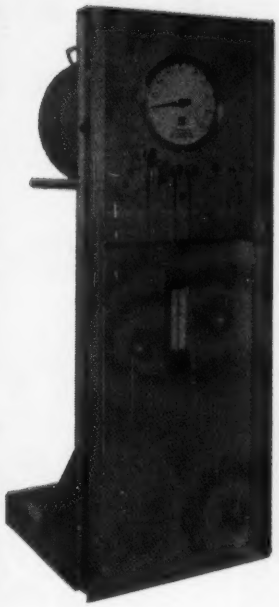

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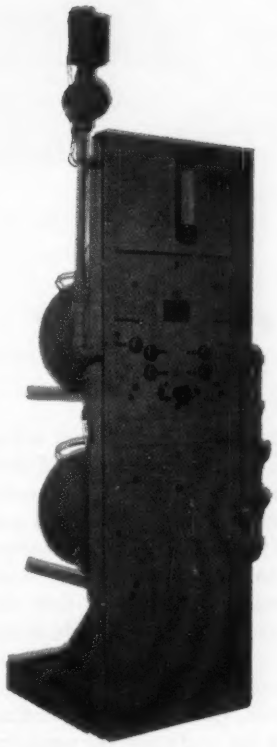

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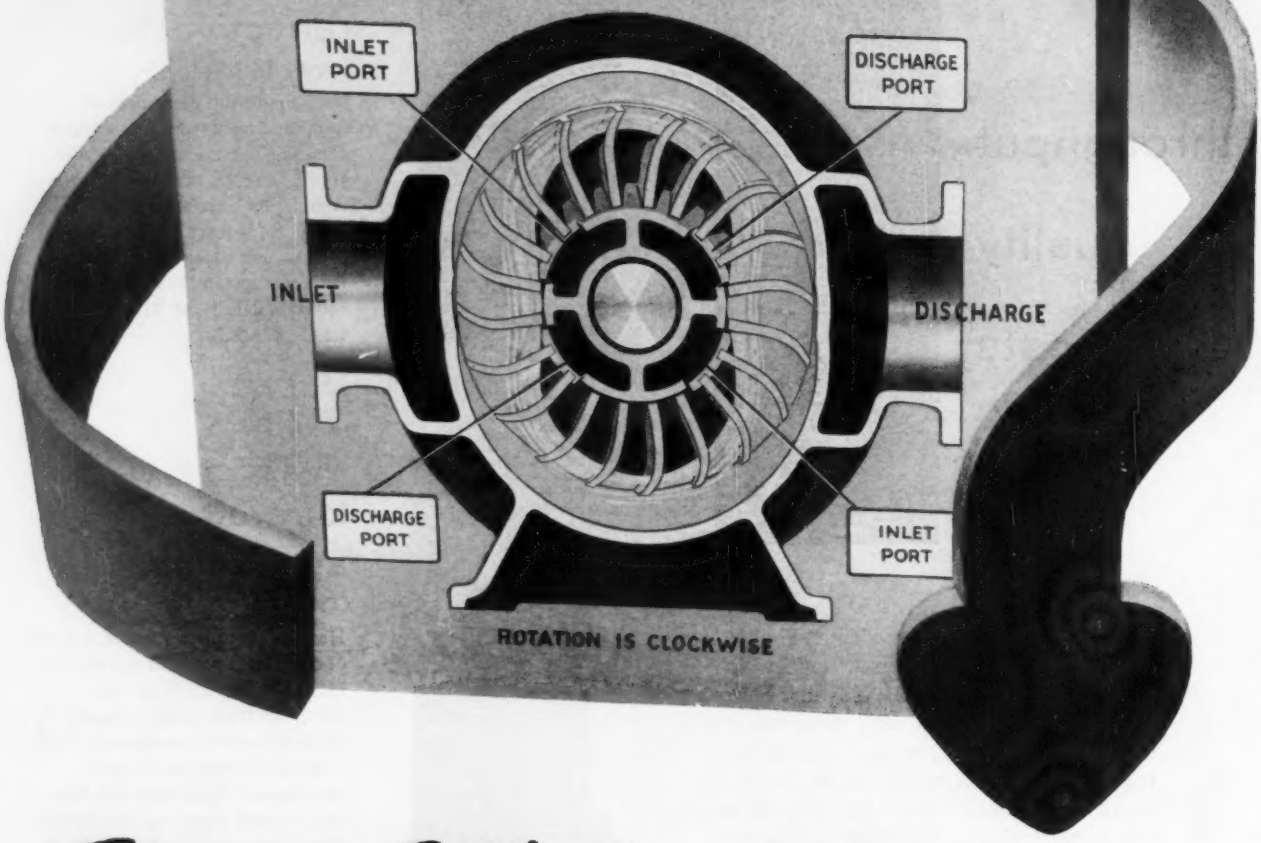

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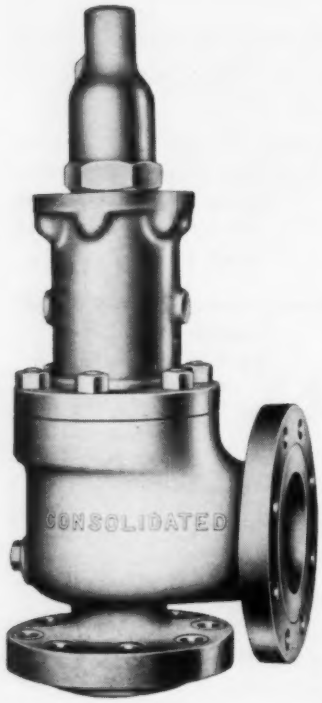

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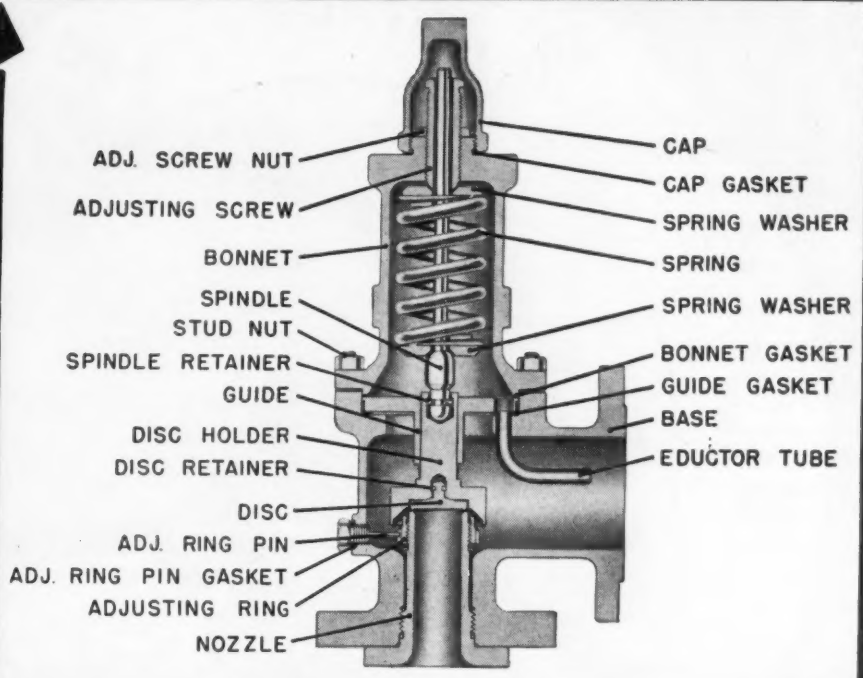

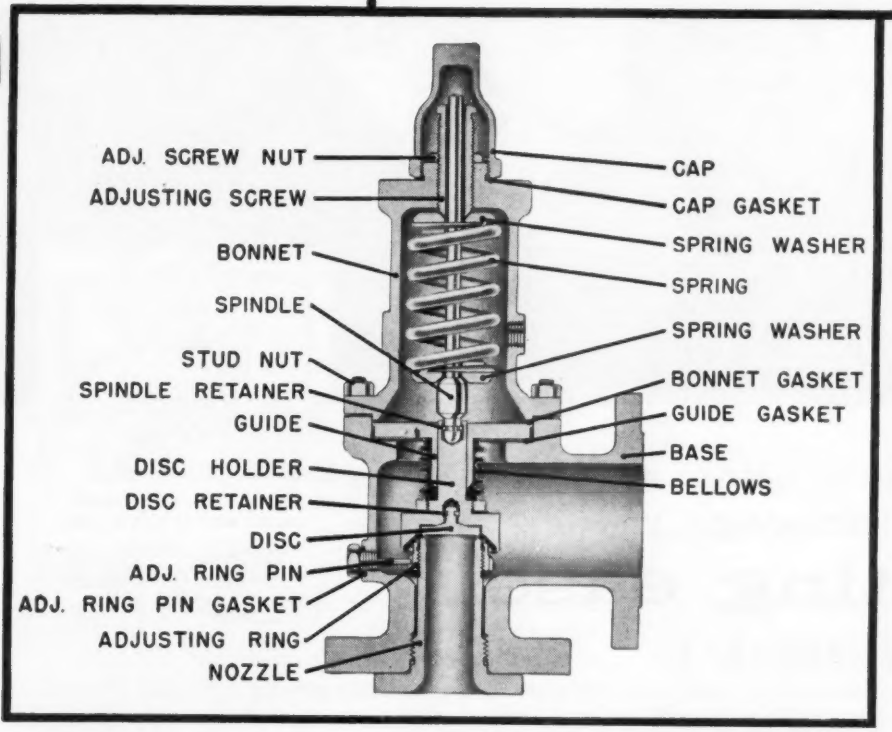

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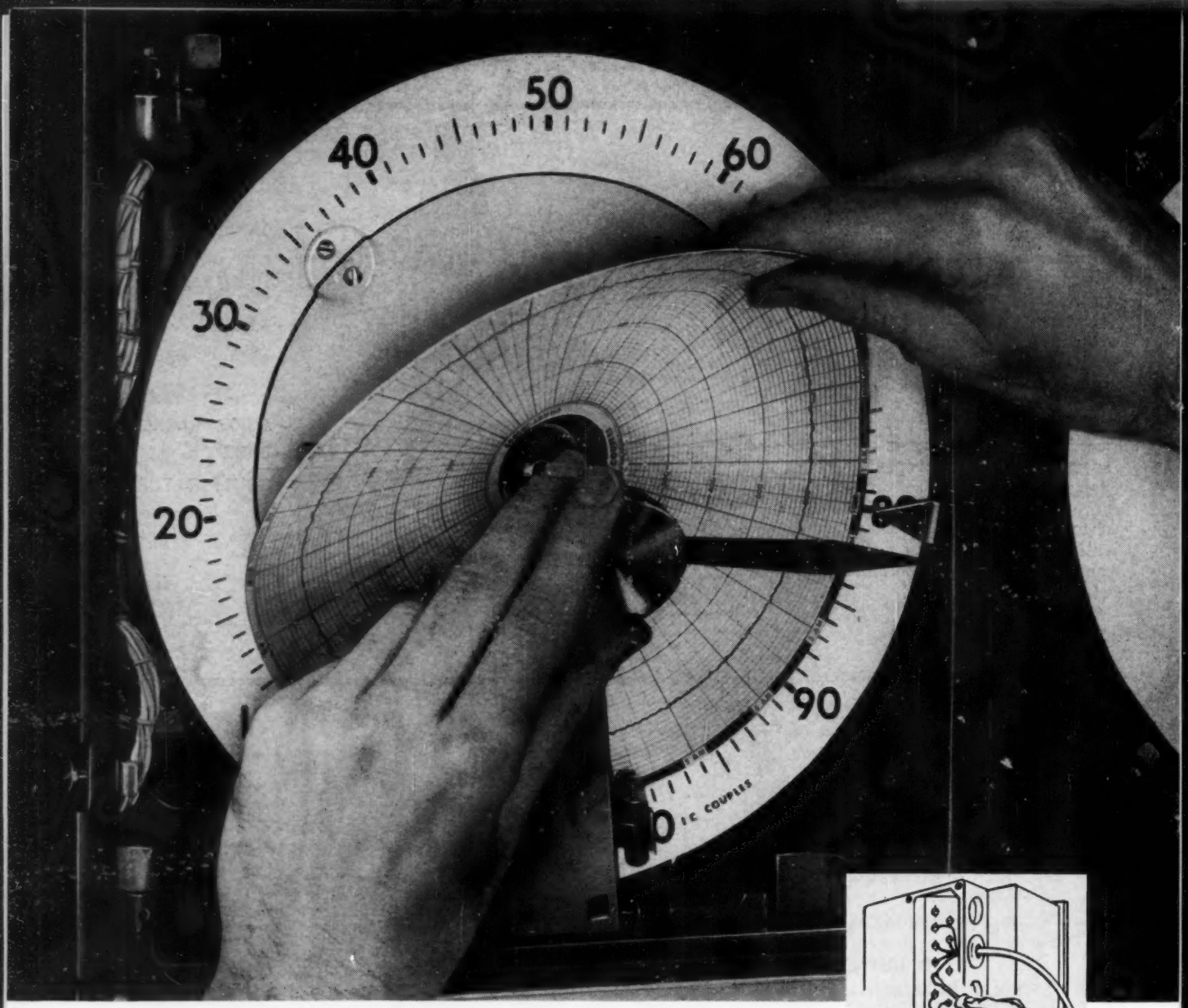

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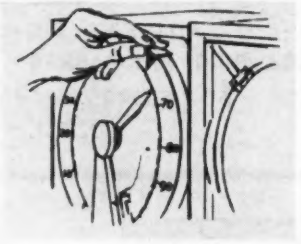

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INSTRUMENTS and AUTOMATION

LAST month your editor reported briefly on the National Conference on Automation sponsored by the CIO Committee on Economic Policy. We reported that the generalizations spoken by the automation-industry spokesmen suffered in comparison with the *facts* offered by the CIO spokesmen about the growth of unemployment in *expanding* automated industries in 1954. The impression was left that automation can or might cause severe technological unemployment (if it is not already so doing)—and the climax of the Conference was reached by Senator O'Mahoney when he said: "The entire population of the United States now has the opportunity to see clearly that the pushbutton industrial system has such widespread effects upon our whole social, economic, and political structure that a Congressional study is unavoidable." So now the inflammable exaggerations about automatic control have indeed aroused the entire population—and its government.

The Hon. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.) seems to have a propensity for "antimachine" activity. In commenting favorably on Minnesota Senate Bill No. 209 in the year 1939, Senator O'Mahoney said "one tax proposal to reduce unemployment that has been made is known as a labor-differential tax. This is a tax on the value added in the manufacture of an article except for that assignable to labor. The purpose is to stimulate the use of labor relative to the amount of machinery in the manufacture of goods." Senator O'Mahoney favored this bill to tax "labor saving" machinery in the year 1939 and, apparently, still fears technological progress.

We recognize that this fear stems from a desire to aid the laboring man, and we concur with the Senator's and the CIO's humane efforts to see that human beings are not made unemployed by machinery or automatic controllers. Their intentions are of the best. But taxes on machinery, investigations of automation, or any activities designed to retard technological improvement never have and never will solve primarily economic problems. Like all other problems, nothing effective can be done unless the *causes* of the problem are attacked. Finding the cause of a problem is known as rationalization of the problem—and to date most of the talk on the economic aspects of automation has been completely irrational in the sense that effects are being treated as causes.

The following comments, made by your editor at the recent annual meeting of the American Industrial Arts Association, Atlantic City, April 27, 1955, were intended to help rationalize the problem, to define automation in useful terms for the teacher (or investigator), and to put the economic problems in a little better perspective. It is hoped that these remarks will do something to prevent a Congressional investigation of the wrong thing, a pursuit by a Congressional committee up a blind alley, a waste of taxpayers' money.

Automation and Economics—

A Counterattack on Anti-automation Propaganda

by M. H. Aronson

I WELCOME this opportunity to speak to members of the American Industrial Arts Association for several reasons: (1) Automation is as much an art as a science, (2) there is a growing need for technicians who can practice the art of automation, (3) supervisors of industrial-art curricula are one of the few groups who can do something constructive by examining automation, and (4) entirely too much has been spoken and written about automation that is out of touch with reality. I hope to debunk several widely accepted ideas.

Definition of Automation

It is common practice for each speaker on automation to start out with "there is no accepted definition of automation; everybody has his own idea." This is nonsense.

Automation is but a short word for AUTOMATIC CONTROL—and everybody knows what automatic control means. Like a host of other words in the English language (such as engineering, mathematics, medicine, or industrial arts), the term "automation" is a horizontal word embracing many facets. Automatic control can be applied to a lathe, a distillation tower, an elevator, an inventory. There is no more reason for saying that automation has different meanings because some think of automatic control of offices while others think of automatic control of plants, than there is to say that mathematics has no meaning because some math teachers teach geometry while others teach calculus. Automation means automatic control.

A Specific Definition

Recognizing that a bit more definiteness could be of value, I proposed the following definition of automation in 1954: "Automation is the substitution of mechanical, hydraulic, pneumatic, electric, and electronic devices for human organs of decision and effort." This definition

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does two things—it tells that the devices used are of many types—NOT just electronic or mechanical; it also tells that the purpose of the device may be either to "arrive at a decision" or "make an effort." This definition precludes any attempt to "prove" that automation does not displace any labor. *Automation is designed to displace routine, onerous, dangerous, menial and trivial labor, mental or physical.* Automation spokesmen will do well to stop trying to prove that (in the short-run, at least) automation does not displace any labor. They will convince nobody but the already convinced, and there is too much factual evidence to prove that displacement can and does occur, as indeed it must.

Specific Fields of Automation

We have established the devices and functions of automation. Next, let us see if we can subdivide this all-encompassing group of devices (which includes almost everything used in engineering, science, physics and chemistry) into smaller units susceptible for study by, let us say, curricula directors. Are there any cohesive parts of the field with common problems, common devices, and a common language? Fortunately, there are:

1. Plants, or continuous-process manufacturing facilities for petroleum, paper, foods, steel, etc.

2. Factories such as fabricators, engine plants, auto body factories, machine shops, etc. Perhaps we can call these piece-part factories as contrasted with the continuous-flow plants. Automation in this field often is called "Detroit automation."

3. Offices—including retail, accounting, inventory, wholesaling, data processing.

4. Computation—including scientific and engineering calculations.

It is admitted that some overlap occurs, but each of these fields has different problems, uses different automation devices and different terminologies, and can be considered a distinct field for automation.

Every speaker on the subject of automation should start out with which of these fields he has in mind—because *very little applies to all of them at one time.* In considering automation it is essential to establish that you are trying to analyze or meet the needs of one or more of these fields. This will prevent the now common dissipation of energy in omnidirectional generalizations with no power on any specific point. Unless the speaker on automation defines his field, he is merely generalizing—and generalities, no matter how interesting, are often worthless.

Devices for Each Field

What specific devices are used for automation in these specific fields?

Process Industries

The process industries are the most advanced in the use of automatic techniques. Entire refineries have been operating for years with *direct labor* forces of less than a dozen men. The average unit refinery operation requires only one or two operators. The valve, controller, and pick-up for temperature, pressure, level, etc., are the basic and standard instruments in this field.

The newest developments in this field are (1) competition between conventional pneumatic techniques and newer electronic controllers for accomplishing essentially the same functions, and (2) more extensive use of digitized-type data handling. Many exciting new instruments become available each month—more than 200 are reported each month in the magazine *Instruments & Automation*—but *none, individually or collectively,* can be considered any threat to the already small *direct labor* force required to operate continuous processes.

The electronic computer, so often talked about as the heart of the automatic plant of tomorrow, is not even being experimented with as a process controller. However, the analog computer (essentially a system analyzer) offers great promise in analyzing operating systems to attain greater efficiency—and both analog and digital computers are becoming standard tools in process design work. Note that this is *not* labor-eliminating control.

Hence the field with the most advanced automation is not using computers as controllers, is not changing its character, and is not experiencing any change commensurate with the talk about automation.

Piece-part Industries

The piece-part industries use machine tools, motors, and assembly lines (rather than the pipes, fluids, and valves of the process industries). Here the advent of the multi-station and transfer machine, plus automatic handling of the parts between the machines, are the new developments—and are probably the developments which have so inflamed the interest in automation today. Yet the piece-part industries use little or no complicated feedback control systems. Except for a few experimental machines, no computers are controlling lines or individual machine tools. Only the largest manufacturers can afford the transfer-type machine tools. The few manufacturers who have made the multi-million-dollar investment have not decreased their labor forces. The only really new developments are the transfer-type machine tool and the still-experimental computer-controlled lathe—a small excuse for all the noise. It must be admitted that these automatic machine tools require less direct labor than their manual predecessors; they also require more skilled maintenance men.

Business

The third field is business—payroll, inventory, etc. Here digital data processors displace clerks performing routine calculations. But the computers cost from 10 to 200 thousands or more dollars—only the larger firms can use them, perhaps ever. And there is little evidence, even where they are being used, that clerk displacement is occurring. Our investigations have revealed that firms such as GE are using their data processors not only to perform their routine tasks, but also to perform many tasks previously impossible by manual clerical labor.

Scientific and Engineering Calculations

The fourth specific field is the essentially design and mathematical one of engineering calculations. Here is where the computers, so often described in terms of the

manless plants of tomorrow, have found their major applications to date. Computers have become powerful tools in the hands of design engineers and mathematicians. But the scarcity of such personnel is so acute that discussion of the labor-saving implications of automation devices in this field is of no value.

Whenever we hear claims about automation devices replacing large numbers of employees, in any of the four specific fields, we try to get the facts from the company involved. We have found, time after time, that the installation of new controllers or new data processors permitted the company to do a bigger and better job—and that the number of employees involved in the specific department was not reduced. *Yet we do not mean to try to establish that automation devices do not displace labor;* they are designed to displace labor involved in routine, onerous, dangerous, menial and trivial tasks. The problem that now needs discussion is WHAT IS THE ROLE OF AUTOMATION IN THE OVER-ALL ECONOMIC PICTURE?

Automation and the Economy

The economic problems cannot be disposed by citing generalities, by pointing out long-term trends, by reminding the listener of the buggy-whip industry, by simple platitudes. The growth of the telephone industry since the introduction of the automatic telephone dial system does not answer why, in 1954, the Bell system alone laid off 17,000 workers (according to Joseph Beirne, Pres., Communication Workers of America-CIO) while *expanding* their number of telephone installations.

The issue has been joined, in conference after conference, in editorial after editorial, on the subject of WILL AUTOMATION CREATE A SICK OR A HEALTHY ECONOMY? IS AUTOMATION A BOON OR BURDEN? This issue has been talked about so much that everyone now accepts it as an issue, even our legislative leaders. Before we enter these economic matters, let us examine a few basic, obvious, economic facts of life.

Economic Facts

The relation between automation and the economy must be analyzed only after consideration of the following *facts*:

1. The economic health of our nation rests on economic policies that includes tax rates and policies, federal expenditures, price/wage ratios, bank policies, bond rates, stock values and dividends, and other economic factors.

2. These economic factors establish the degree of purchasing power and market demand—which in turn establishes the degree of consumption of the output of our economy.

3. Automation is but one of many technological developments leading to increased productivity.

4. A healthy economy will consume its productive output and retain still greater demand with unemployment well below the inevitable minimum of a few percent of the total workforce available.

5. A sick economy has economic troubles, with or without automation. These economic ills include inability to consume the output of the economy, growing inventories, growing unemployment.

6. Sickness in the economy must be attacked at its sources—which are the economic factors that establish the purchasing power of the people in the country. The only alternative to increasing purchasing power is to decrease productivity, a reactionary and dangerous approach.

These facts show clearly that automation cannot establish the basic economic health of the nation—although it might aggravate economic ills by increasing productivity at a time of economic decline (synonomous term for diminished or inadequate purchasing power). Conversely, the degree of economic health and stability will definitely affect the degree of automation attained—because there will be little effort to increase productivity at a time of economic decline.

Hence, automation has no direct economic implications. It cannot make a sick country healthy or a healthy country sick. *It can make a healthy economy still more healthy—and it might conceivably make a sick economy more sick. But it cannot be a fundamental cause for economic stability or instability.*

Such cause must be found in the inter-related action of the many economic factors already at work in our free capitalistic society. These are the factors that need investigated, analyzed, understood. But what Senators are now investigating the economic factors that make up the "market" in our free society? Our nation has exhibited remarkable stability, economically, for the past few years. Why are not the reasons for this stability now under investigation? Can or should any radically new ideas be considered before we know and understand what we already have?

This is a call to arms to attack the roots of the economic problem that faces our nation. Economic maladjustment has appeared in several areas. We urge Senator O'Mahoney or other Senators to set up a committee to study purchasing power, to evaluate the economic factors that enter into the over-all production-consumption-employment cosmos. Investigations of automation, or even conferences on the economic effects of automation, not only waste the time and effort that should be directed at the economic causes of economic maladjustment but are even worse—they lead to the development of automation as a scapegoat, a whipping boy. We in the automation field must refuse to permit ourselves to be considered as the economic determinates in our economy; we must counterattack and insist on solving the economic problems at their roots.

In conclusion, the major premise of this discussion has been that increasing productivity demands increasing purchasing power—but that the problem of increasing purchasing power requires consideration of the economic factors that establish the market demand, whereas investigations or discussions of the "economic aspects of automation" are fruitless and diversionary antimachine-type activities.

To do as many are doing today, which is to welcome automation verbally while discussing (and thus pointing to) automation as the possible cause of economic trouble, is unconscious but demonstrable hypocrisy. These people should indeed welcome automation as one of the many factors making for increased productivity—but their fingers should point to our economists and legislators when markets shrink and unemployment grows.

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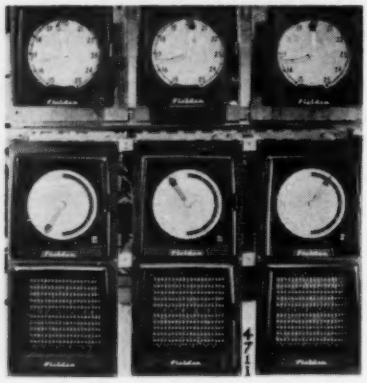

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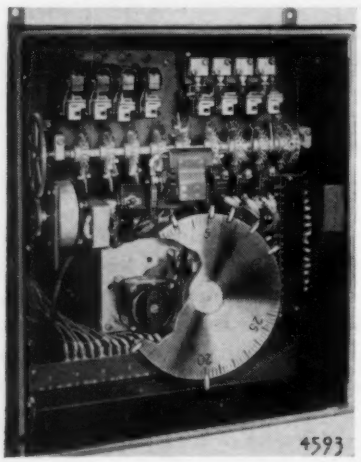

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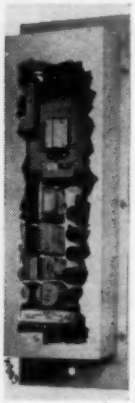

New "EMF/Pneumatic Transmitter" converts electrical measurements of temperature, speed, pH, etc., into proportional 3-15-psi. pneumatic outputs; is easily mounted on back of a control panel. Feature: inverse feedback equal to 99.8 percent of input signal, minimizing amplifier variations and maximizing stability. Standard spans as narrow as 10 mv. and as wide as 60 mv. (wider spans available). Sensitivity 0.05 percent of scale; accuracy 1 percent, repeatable to 0.25 percent. For a full-range step-function input, output signal will change from 3 to 15 psi. (or vice versa) in 4 seconds or less.—*The Foxboro Co., Foxboro, Mass.*

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Control Initiator

New control initiating instrument for switchboard or panel instruments is an automatic, all-electrical device for initiating action when a predetermined value is reached. System electrically picks up signal from instrument pointer. No mechanical contacts.—*General Electric Co., Schenectady* 5, *N. Y.*

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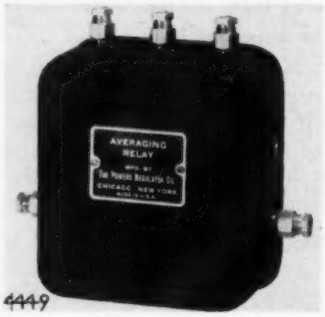
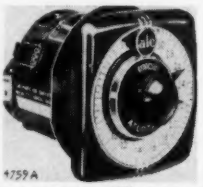
Control-initiating Relays

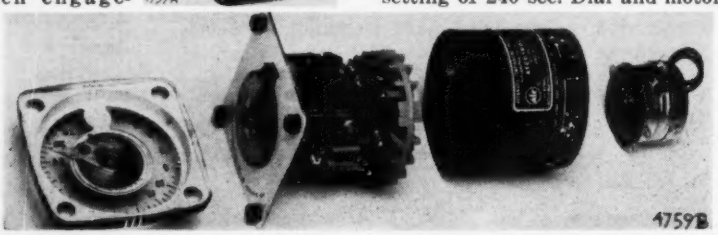
New line of air relays can perform functions such as air volume amplifying; pressure reversing, retarding, advancing and averaging; differential controlling; and minimum pressure controlling. (Illustrated: averaging.) Control in most cases is gradual; snap



Automatic-reset Process Timer

New "Atcotrol" mounts into cutout 3-3/16-in. diam. Design makes possible quick external inspection of timer motor operation, clutch engagement, elapsed time pointer operation, pointer reset and load switch actuation, without interrupting operation or process. Full internal inspection claimed possible in 2 sec. while operating. Self-cleaning contacts, easily interchangeable in field, are rated at 10 amps. 115 v.ac. non-inductive. Interchangeable dials and motors make possible 10 timing ranges from 0-to-15 sec. with minimum setting of ¼-sec., to 0-to-240 min. with minimum setting of 240 sec. Dial and motor can be changed in about 3 min.—*ATC Co.*, 5200 *Pulaski Ave., Philadelphia* 44, *Pa.*





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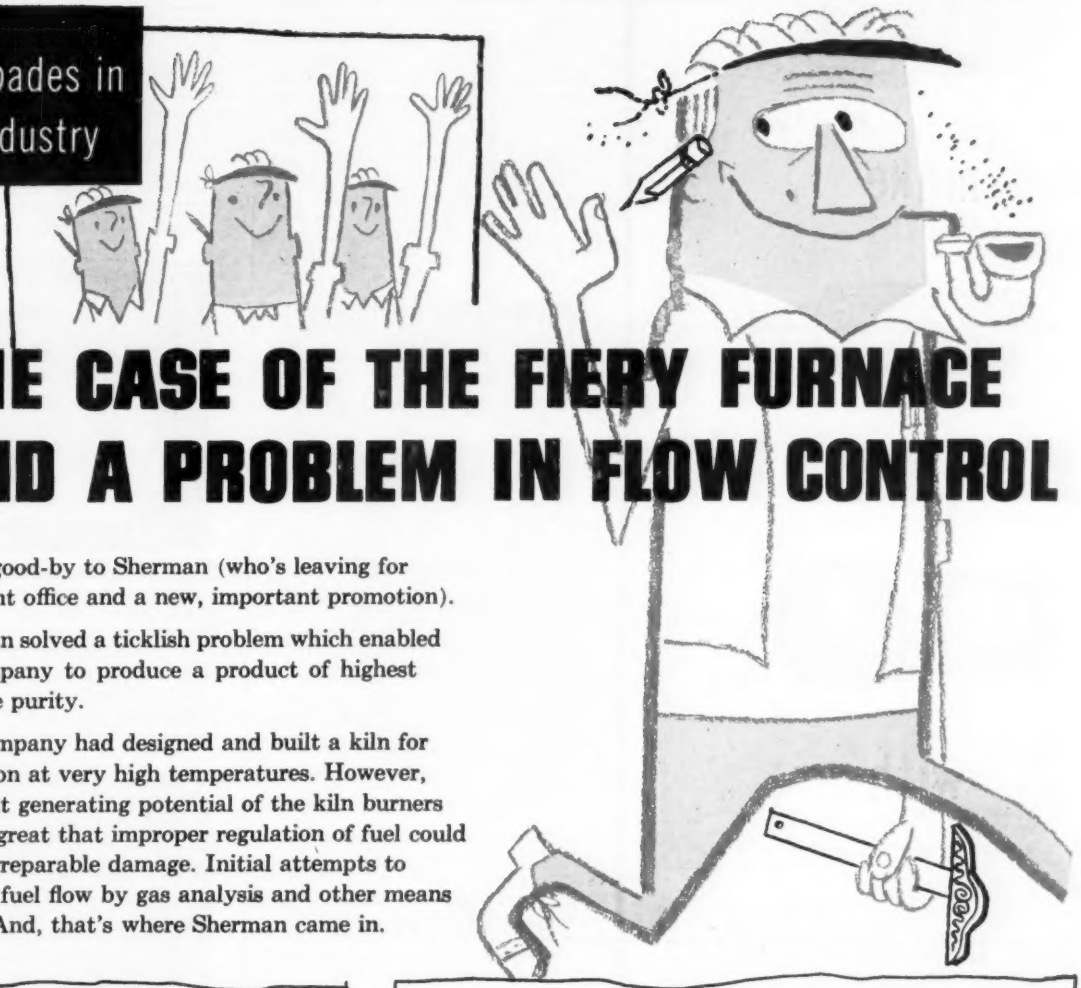


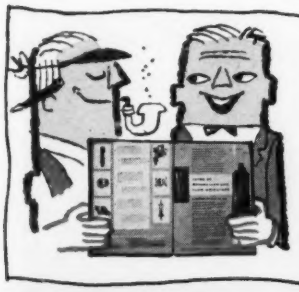
THE CASE OF THE FIERY FURNACE AND A PROBLEM IN FLOW CONTROL

Wave good-by to Sherman (who's leaving for the front office and a new, important promotion).

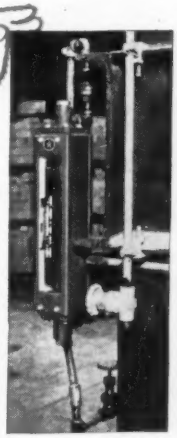
Sherman solved a ticklish problem which enabled his company to produce a product of highest possible purity.

The company had designed and built a kiln for operation at very high temperatures. However, the heat generating potential of the kiln burners was so great that improper regulation of fuel could cause irreparable damage. Initial attempts to control fuel flow by gas analysis and other means failed. And, that's where Sherman came in.

Sherman remembered reading an article which offered a condensed bulletin on all types of SK Rotameters—accurate, variable area instruments for measuring and controlling fluid rate of flow.



He sent to SK for a copy of Bulletin 18-RA, checked the types of meters described, found a Rotameter to be ideal for the purpose, and called in a specialist—his nearest SK Sales Engineer.



SOLVED THE PROBLEM NEATLY!

An SK Safeguard Rotameter is used to measure the flow of fuel oil to the burners. In operation for some time, the Rotameter has protected the equipment against damage, saved the operator time, and even helped save some fuel by providing simple and accurate rate of flow measurement.

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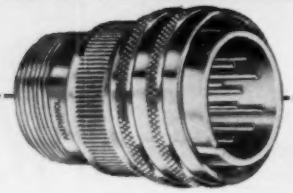

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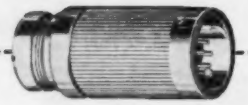

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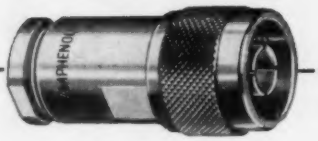

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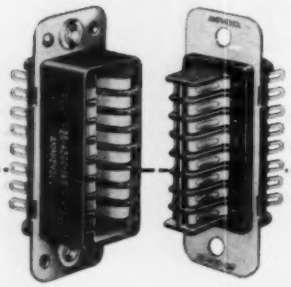

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action available in some devices. Direct or reverse action is standard option on many relays.—*The Powers Regulator Co., Skokie, Illinois.*

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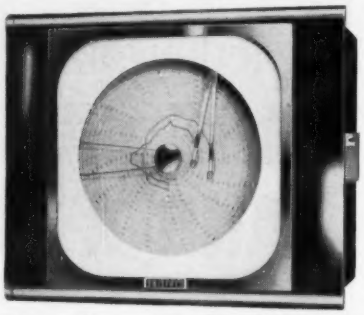
Two-pen Recorder

New 12-in. round-chart "Electronic Dynamaster" recorder can make two continuous records at the same time.



It is of the automatic self-balancing potentiometer or bridge type and its applications include taking wet and dry resistance bulb temperatures, Btu and temperature differentials, and speed of rotation from two different points on a machine.—*The Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn.*

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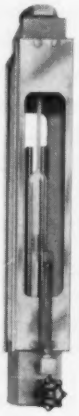

Specific-Gravity Indicator

New "Spee/Gee" specific-gravity indicator is designed for continuous sampling and other processing service. Position of "Non-Spin" hydrometer in special enclosure indicates fluid specific gravity; may be read at all times; is suitable for panel mounting. —*Brooks Rotameter Co., Lansdale, Penna.*

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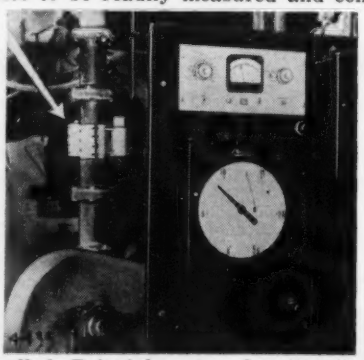
Density Gage

New "PS Series" permits percent by weight of solids or liquids in slurries to be readily measured and con-



trolled. Principle: use of radioactive absorption and "Ohmart Cells" as measuring means. All measuring components are outside pipe or vessel.—*The Ohmart Corp., P. O. Box 67, Sta. B, Cincinnati 22, Ohio.*

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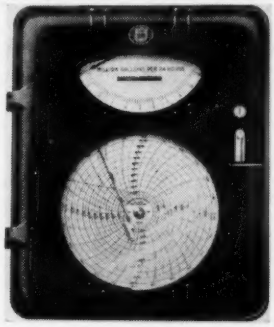
Electrical Transmission

New "Orthoflow" is electric transmission system utilizing two wires



for transmission of flow, liquid level, or pressure. Transmitting units may be applied to mercury cylinders of varying sizes to produce measurements over 4 to 1, 10 to 1, 13 to 1, 18.5 to 1, and 20 to 1 ratios with accuracies not exceeding plus or minus 2 percent at any point over these ranges.—*Simplex Valve & Meter Co., 7 E. Orange St., Lancaster, Pa.*

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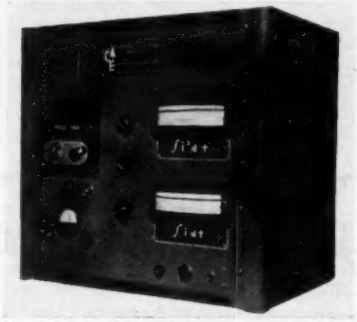
Computer Controller

New "Integrating Computer Model 6055," for process and quality control, is a dual section analogue computer:



one section computes integral of square (or mean square) of an a-c. or d-c. input voltage; other section computes integral (or mean) of a-c. or d-c. input voltage. If current is analog of a thickness, density, etc., instrument can compute standard deviation of process; provides electrical analogs for controlling process. Integrating time base is adjustable from 1 sec. to 180 sec.—*Cedar Engineering Inc., 5806½ W. 36th St., Minneapolis, Minn.*

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Automatic Gasoline Blending Monitor

New "Automatic Reid Recorder" monitors blending of motor gasolines to obtain the most economical ratio of

butane to base stock; minimizes ethylization costs; reduces reblends and operating tankage needs; makes inline blending practical for even small refineries; reflects any change in vapor pressure within 3 min. and will stabilize at a new level within 8 min. after receiving a quantity of high or low R.V.P. material.—*Precision Scientific Co., 3737 W. Cortland St., Chicago 47, Ill.*

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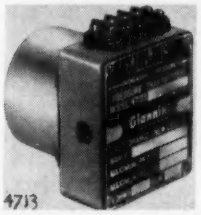
PRESSURE

Pressure Transmitter



New "Model 47155" for industrial applications requiring an electrical output proportional to pressure is an improved, low-cost version of maker's pressure transmitters used in aircraft and missile applications. Ranges up to 100 psia., psig. and psid. Outputs up to 40 volts can be obtained and transmitter be used to operate indicating, recording or control devices with little or no amplification.—*G. M. Giannini & Co., 918 E. Green St., Pasadena 1, Calif.*

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Absolute-pressure Switch

New "Type J20" utilizes a spring-loaded evacuated bellows to respond to source pressure variations independent of atmospheric pressure and temperature; can be factory set anywhere between 0 and 35 psia. with a differential from 1.5 to 5.0 psi. Adjustable range 5.0 psia.; repeat accuracy 0.1 psia. Switch rating 4 amps. 28 v.dc., 10 amps. 115 v. ac.—*United Electric Controls Co., 85 School St., Watertown, Mass.*

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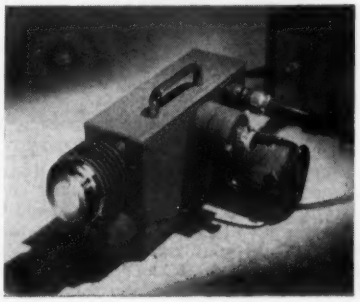
Pressure Transient Recorder

New "Model 216" pressure-transient recorder uses interferometric optical principles to record short-term pressure variation on film. First approximation of pressure is available



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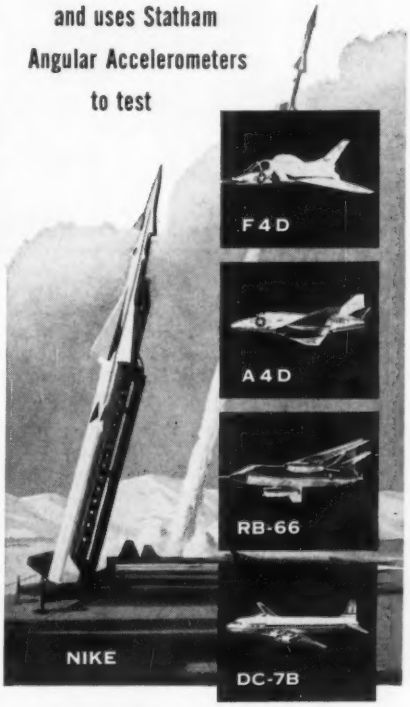

Statham unbonded strain gage liquid rotor angular accelerometers offer a simple, reliable means for the study of the rotary motion of a test body under conditions where a fixed mechanical reference is not available. For static and dynamic measurements in ranges from ±1.5 to ±3,000 rad/sec², four standard models are offered.

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by simple counting of number of fringes. System comprises (1) combined transducer, optical system, and camera with 2-millisecond timing-pip system, (2) control unit which can be located remotely, for control of camera drive motor, dynamic braking system, and monochromatic light source which illuminates transducer.—*Beckman & Whitley, Inc., 1099 E. San Carlos Ave., San Carlos, Calif.*

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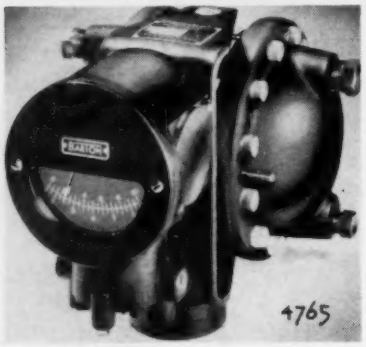
Differential Pressure Pneumatic Transmitter

New "Model 214" is claimed to transmit flow, liquid level, and/or differential pressure at a high speed of response with low air consumption. Ad-



verse conditions, such as wide ambient temperature variations, rapid fluctuations in flow, mechanical vibration of lines and severe over-loads will not impair accuracy because of rupture-proof differential measuring unit.—*Barton Instrument Corp., 1429 South Eastern Avenue, Los Angeles 22, Calif.*

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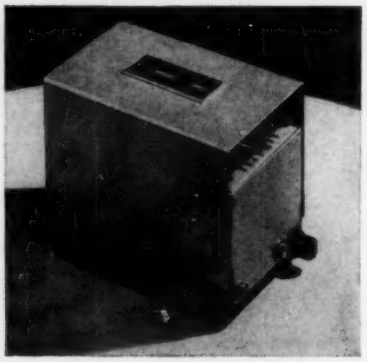
Pressure Transmitter

New "Type 1100," for applications where output voltage is to be a non-linear function of pressure, comprises



a precision ruggedized voltage divider having taps and provision for resistance loading across winding.—*Trans-Sonics, Inc., Bedford Airport, Bedford, Mass.*

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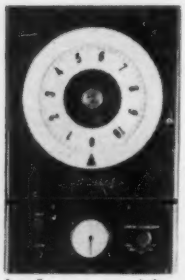
FLOW RATE and VOLUME

Flowmeter Calibrator



New "Flowmeter Calibration System" based on time and weight measurements is specially designed indicator-controller in which electrical indications of weight from load cell start and stop a timer automatically. Illustrated instrument is for use with a 1000-lb. precision-type load cell.—*Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Philadelphia, 42, Pa.*

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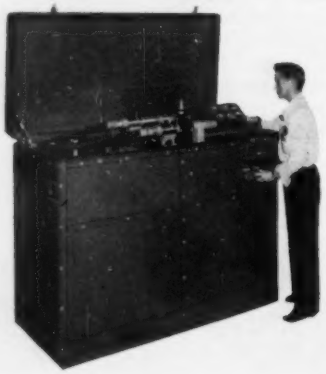
Flowmeter Calibrator

New "Type 350" fuel flowmeter test stand, for calibrating fuel flow trans-



mitters in range from 100 to 12,000 gph, consists of a single integral unit incorporating a fuel supply tank, fuel weighing system with automatic electrical interval timer, control panel, serviced rate of flow indicators, pump, filter, fuel refrigerating system, and necessary power supplies.—*Bone Engineering Corp., 701 W. Broadway, Glendale 4, Calif.*

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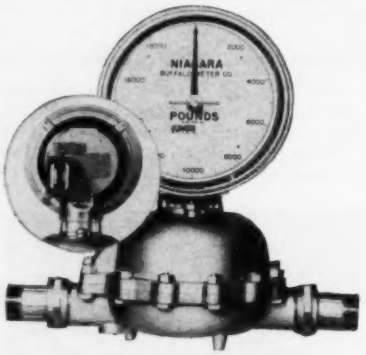
Predetermined-quantity Explosion-proof Meter

New explosion-proof model of "Electricontact Meter" with electric shut-off, for measuring liquids in hazardous



atmospheres, comprises a standard "Niagara" meter plus a register containing an electric switch designed to complete an electric circuit after passage of a predetermined quantity of liquid through meter; incorporates "Model EX-AR Microswitch" which carries UL listing. A wide variety of register constructions is offered.—*Buffalo Meter Co., 2929 Main St., Buffalo 14, N. Y.*

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Rotameter Extension

New "Mag/Na/Vue" indicating extension features a non-magnetic metal extension tube replacing customary

glass tube; has been developed mainly for use with maker's "Ar/Met" armored Rotameters; is designed for use at pressures to 1200 psi. at 200 F., or for metering opaque fluids. A permanent magnet is imbedded in float head and, encircling extension, a light-weight indicating sleeve moves in response to change in float position. It is said that "virtually no friction exists."—*Brooks Rotameter Co., Lansdale, Pa.*

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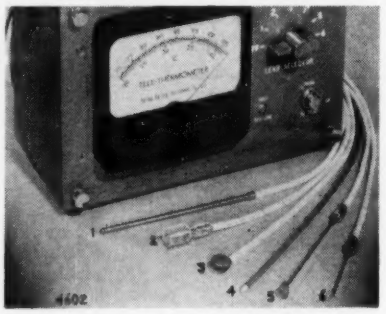
TEMPERATURE

Thermistor-type Probes

Six new probes increase versatility of maker's thermistor "Tele-Thermometer": (1) Fast stainless steel,



(2) air temperature, (3) flat surface, (4) flexible immersion, (5) fast oral, (6) hypodermic. Typical 99-percent response times: tubular stainless steel and oral probes 4 sec., flexible immersion 35 sec., hypodermic 3 sec.—*Yellow Springs Instrument Co., Inc., P.O. Box 106, Yellow Springs, Ohio.*

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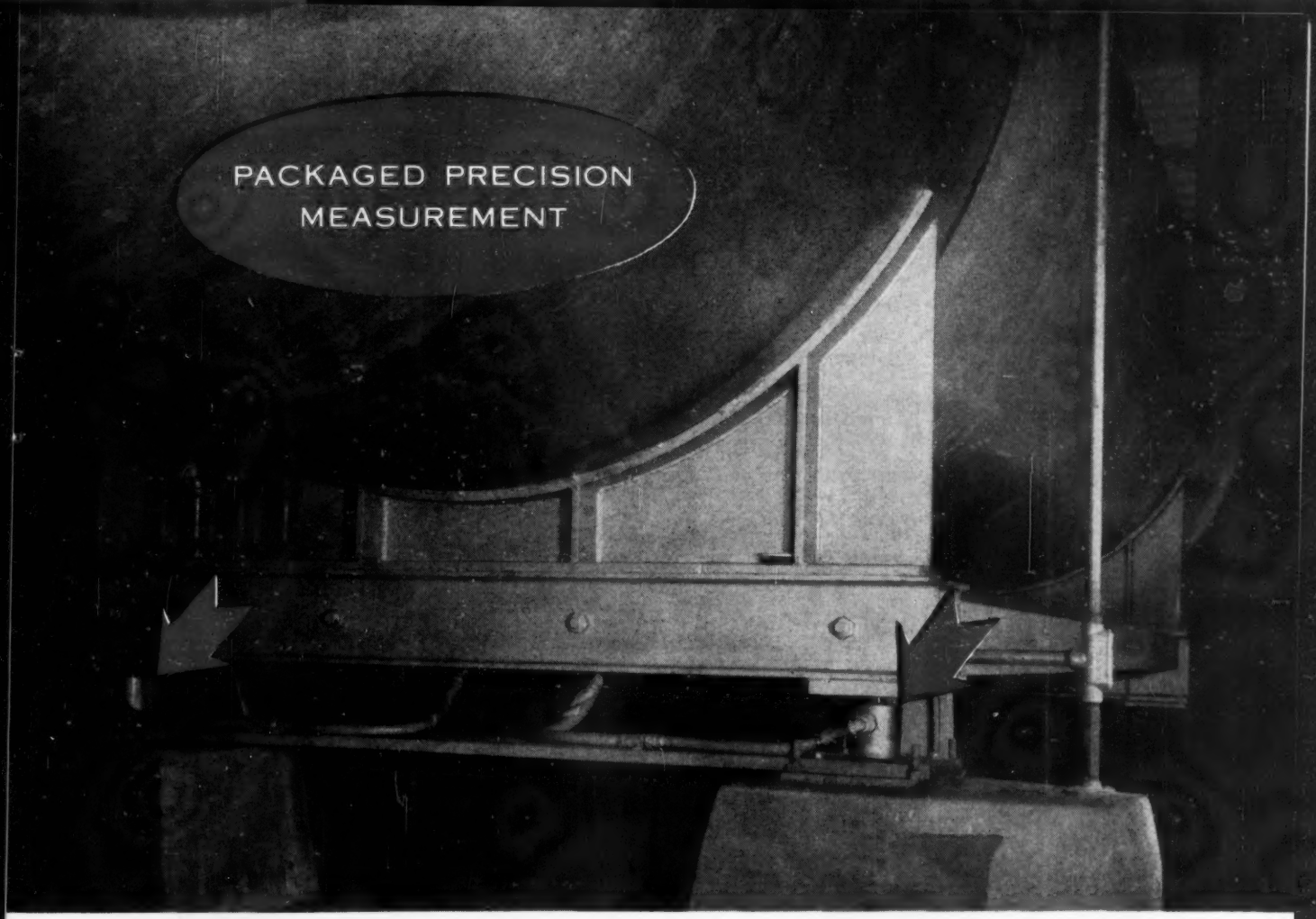
Bearing-temperature Monitor

New bearing temperature monitor features internally shock-mounted and sealed contact-making indicators. Each trip point is adjustable from front. Any number of points can be monitored by a combination of panels. Normal range 0-300 F.; other ranges



Stanley Home Products, Inc. checks Freon losses as

Two tiny SR-4® Load Cells weigh 200,000 lb. tanks automatically

Baldwin's "Packaged Precision Measurement," neatly solved the handling of large volumes of Freon at the Stanley Home Products plant in Easthampton, Mass. A constant record of stored and used quantities was needed to avoid excessive leakage and evaporation losses.

Continuous automatic weighing of their two 15,000 gallon storage tanks with Baldwin SR-4 Load Cells answered Stanley's problem perfectly. Two small SR-4 compression-type 50,000 lb. load cells were installed as supporting members on the concrete base at one end of each tank. These support exactly half the load of the 200,000 lb. tanks and the instruments are calibrated to read only the weight of the Freon in the storage tanks.

Reinforced flexible hose at inlet and outlet eliminates effect of connecting piping on weighing accuracy.

This Baldwin system gives Stanley weighing accuracy within ½ of 1% of scale (200,000 lbs.). Baldwin-engineered instrumentation provides remote indicators at the tank car siding and recorders at a centralized control panel. The weighing system controls a motor-driven pump at the siding, shutting it down automatically when the tanks have 13,500 gallons of Freon.

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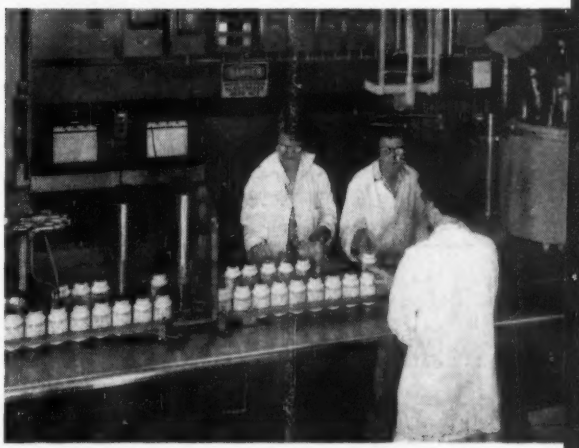
Baldwin strip chart recorders on wall (lower photo) show rate of consumption of Freon. Recorders are connected by electrical cables to SR-4 Load Cells under one end of 15,000 gallon tanks on other side of wall (upper photo).



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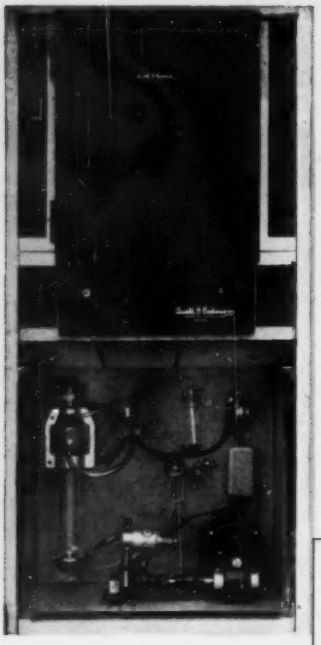

Photo shows analyzer in top section, scrubbing unit below.

Diagram illustrates how O_2 is stripped from sample with scrubbing gas, then resulting gases analyzed for O_2.

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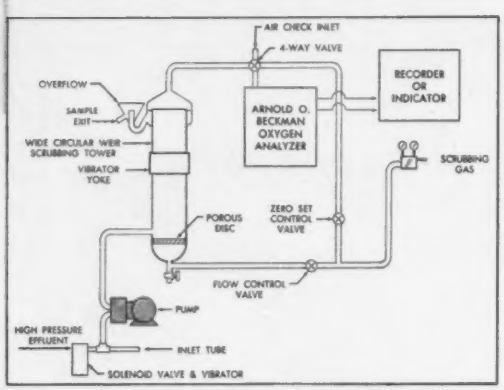

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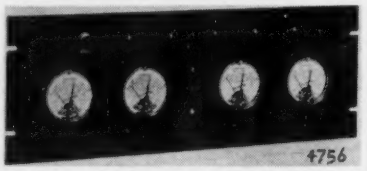

can be substituted. Each installation has a 50-amp. circuit breaker for shutdown; or, if alarm is preferred, a plug-in "Series 1818" relay with contacts rated 10 amps. at 100 v. non inductive.—*Assembly Products, Inc Chesterland, Ohio.*

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Thermistor-varistor Kit

New "Deluxe Kit No. 168A" contains two each varistor washers, thermistor washers, discs and beads, and one each thermistor probe and rod, as well as miscellaneous mounting hardware.—*Victory Engineering Corp., Union, N. J.*

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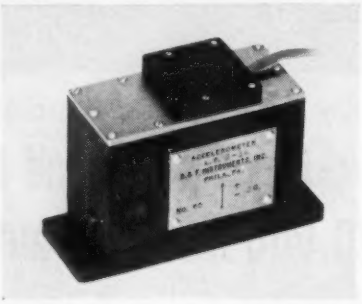
FORCE, VIBRATION, DISPLACEMENT, etc.

Acceleration Pickups

New "Model LF Accelerometers" are designed specifically for oscillographic recording of quasi-static and low-frequency (7 to 20 cps.) accelerations from plus and minus 2.5 *G* to plus



and minus 10 *G* without higher frequency contamination. No amplifiers are required.—*B & F Instruments, Inc., 4732 N. Broad St., Philadelphia 41, Pa.*

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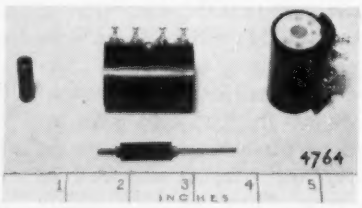
Displacement Pickups

New models of "Microformers" are available with optional mounting attachments. (These miniature variable



transformers were formerly produced only for use on maker's recorders and extensometers.) Standard size has a maximum core travel of 0.12 in., is 1½ in. long. A smaller size, 1 in. long, has a maximum core travel of 0.06 in. These are mounted by screw lugs or flat lugs.—*Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Philadelphia 42, Pa.*

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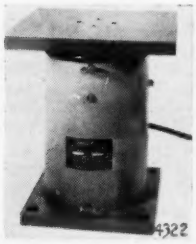
Floor-level Scale



New 500-lb. capacity floor-level scale can be set in a pit 10½ in. square and less than 12 in. deep; incorporates a single "SR-4 Load Cell."—*Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Philadelphia 42, Pa.*

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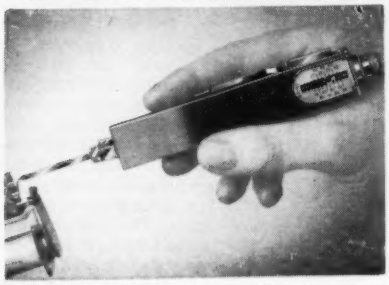
Tension Gages

New tension gages can check spring tensions in range from 4 to 2500 grams. Knife-edge bearings provide negligible



friction, and gravitational effects are accurately counterbalanced. Six models cover following ranges in grams: 4 to 24, 10 to 80, 50 to 250, 100 to 500, 200 to 1600, and 500 to 2500.—*Imtra Corp., 58 Charles St., Cambridge, Mass.*

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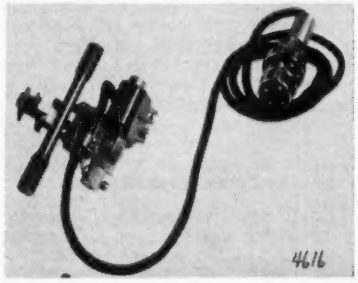
Extensometer

New "Model T-2M" non-averaging, snap-on "Microformer"-type extensometer features short gage lengths and interchangeable attachments for



three different gage lengths: ½, ¾, and 1 inch. Specimens may be from ⅛ to ¼ in. diam.—*Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Philadelphia 42, Pa.*

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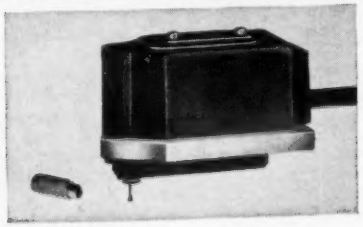
Vibration Pickup

New "Type 115 Pickup" can be used to explore surfaces, bearings, lightweight objects; is attached to a



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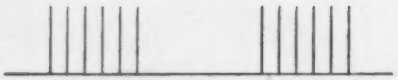

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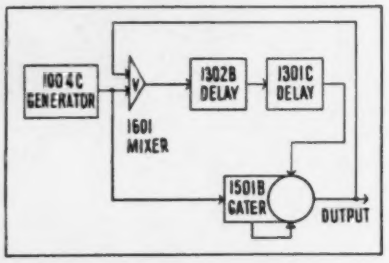

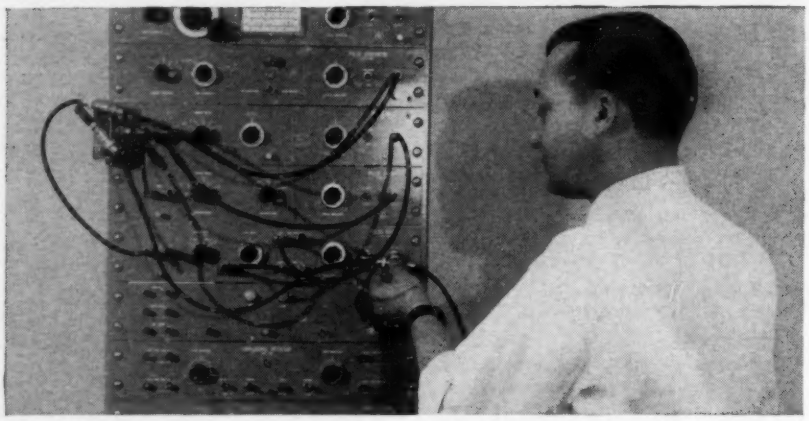

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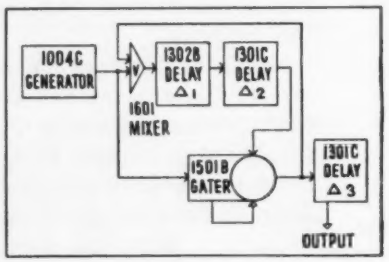

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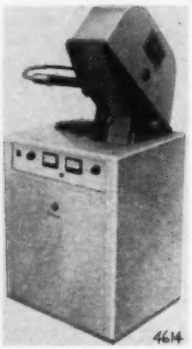
Non-destructive X-ray Scanning Spectrometer



New "X-ray Scanning Spectrometer," suitable for qualitative or semi-quantitative analysis, is said to provide accuracy comparable to best chemical methods, with procedural simplicity, and speeds similar to direct-reading optical emission. Standard samples last almost indefinitely. Instrument is designed for either analytical research or production control, —*Applied Research Laboratories, Glendale, Calif.*

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Spectrographic Standards

New set of eight low-alloy steel spectrographic standards, now made available in U. S. by Jarrell-Ash, were issued by British Bureau of Analyzed Samples, Ltd.; were prepared by Edgar Allen & Company, Ltd., Imperial Steel Works, Sheffield, England. Standardization was accomplished through cooperative analysis by twelve analytical chemists representing their respective steel firms. —*Jarrell-Ash Co.,* 26 *Farwell St., Newtonville* 60, *Mass.*

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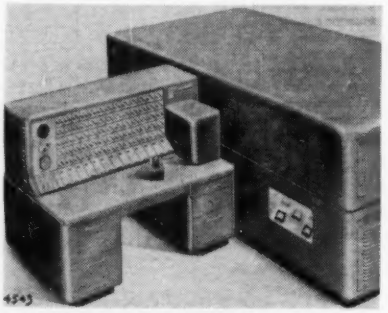
Spectrograph

New "Spectro Analyzer," said to be "laboratory world's first all-electronic spectrograph," analyzes up to 65 ele-



ments in two minutes, releasing some twelve chemists for more productive work than manipulation; is claimed to have six advantages over other direct-reading spectrographs.—*Fisher Scientific Co.,* 717 *Forbes St., Pittsburgh* 19, *Pa.*

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Dual-Grating Spectrograph

New spectrograph achieves high degree of speed and versatility through use of two gratings, which provides two different spectral ranges in a single exposure on a single plate or on two different plates. One grating with a range of 2000A (1st order) operates in a practical range of 1850 to 24000A; second grating with range of 1000A (1st order) operates in range of 1850 to 12000A. Spectra are recorded on a flat 4 by 10 inch plate or on two 2 by 10 inch plates. Dispersions are available from 8A/mm to 1.33A/mm. Resolution is over 160,000 in the second order.—*Bausch & Lomb Optical Co., 635 St. Paul St., Rochester 2, N. Y.*

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Infrared Recording Spectrophotometer

New "Model 4-55," designed for either quantitative or qualitative analysis, is a double-beam instrument equipped with a series of controls for utmost flexibility. Recording system can be readily converted to optimal conditions for quantitative or qualitative programs, with scanning speed, slit width and amplifier gain easily varied by individual controls. A unique "floating-balance" measuring system insures precision in quantitative work. Large size optical components make possible high resolution and precision at fast scanning speeds. One-minute interchange of prisms is one-tenth of time required with other instruments. Use of four prisms (NaCL, CaF, LiF and KBr) gives spectral range of 1.5 to 26 microns with maximum performance at all ranges. Instrument can be operated on a round-the-clock basis, and will produce up to 100 complete spectra in 24 hrs.—*Baird Associates, Inc., 33 University Rd, Cambridge 38, Mass.*

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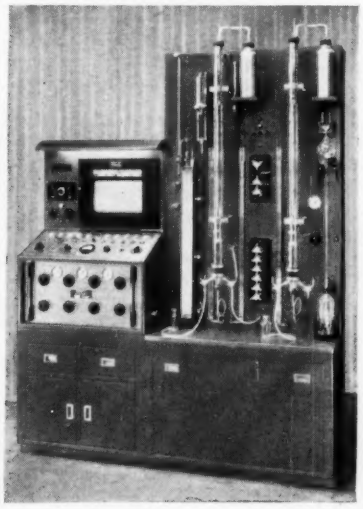
New "Thermocon" automatic apparatus is for light hydrocarbon analysis by low-temperature distillation. Attainable accuracy has been improved, even for gas samples as small as 100 cc., through use of (1) high-sensitivity thermal conductivity cell of less than 2 cc. gas holdup (instead of usual thermocouple holdup of 20 to



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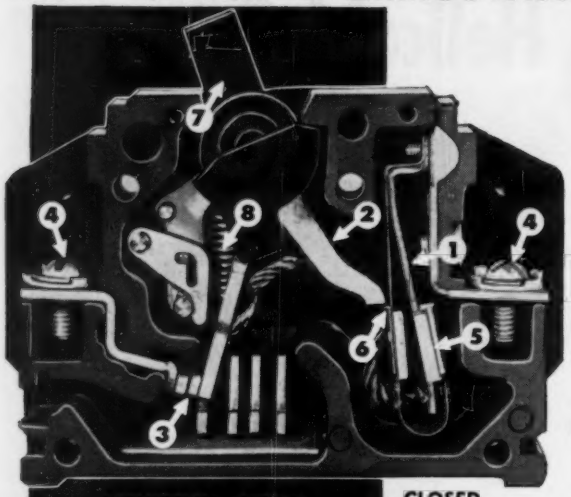

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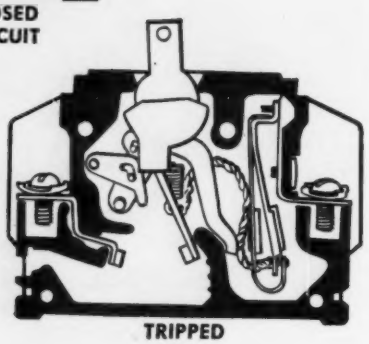

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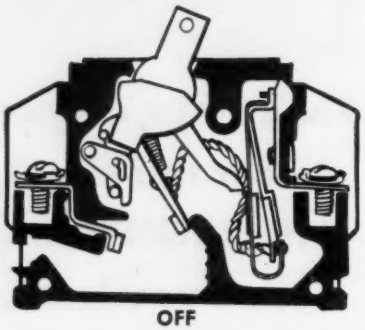

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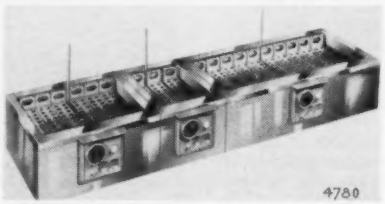
Water Baths

Two new serological water baths are 3-rack and 10-rack units; feature lifetime radiant wall heaters, "For-



ward-look" hood containing thermostat, pilot light and line switch.—*Chicago Surgical & Electrical Co.*, 217 *N. Desplaines St., Chicago* 6, *Ill.*

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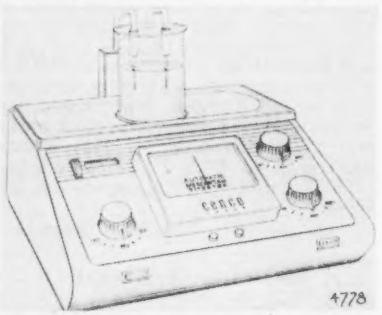
Coulometric Titrator

New "Cenco Automatic Mercaptan Titrator," using coulometric system of operation, was developed by Stand-



ard Oil Co. (Indiana); is capable of measuring unusually low concentrations of mercaptan; provides petroleum industry with a simple and accurate method. Announcement states that previous titration methods were time-consuming and required a great deal of operator skill.—*Central Scientific Co.*, 1700 *Irving Park Rd, Chicago, Ill.*

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Bottle Pump

New bottle pump removes distilled water and other liquids from carboys, tanks, etc. Air forced into container is automatically cleaned by "Ventgard" filter which removes and absorbs impurities before it can enter container to replace liquid being pumped out.—*Barnstead Still & Sterilizer Co.*, 2 *Lanesville Terrace, Forest Hills, Boston* 31, *Mass.*

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Oxygen Analyzer

New portable "Model C2P" can be used for measuring continuously-flowing samples, or for fixed volume samples as small as 3 cc.; is available in practically any desired range of 5 percent or more between 0 and 75 percent oxygen and in ranges of 15 percent or more between 75 and 100 percent oxygen. Accuracy within 1 percent of full scale is made possible by paramagnetic principle: direct physical measurement of oxygen itself, not of some variable secondary function or relationship. Response: 95 percent of final reading within 40 seconds on standard models (within 7 seconds on special models).—*Arnold O. Beckman, Inc.*, 1020 *Mission St., South Pasadena, Calif.*

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Corrosion Test Bomb

New "Copper Strip Corrosion Test Bomb" for ASTM D 130 is recommended for testing of gasolines, distillate fuel oils, cleaners' (Stoddard) solvent, etc. New design is said to eliminate many objectionable features of bomb formerly used.—*Precision Scientific Co.*, 3737 *W. Cortland St., Chicago 47, Ill.*

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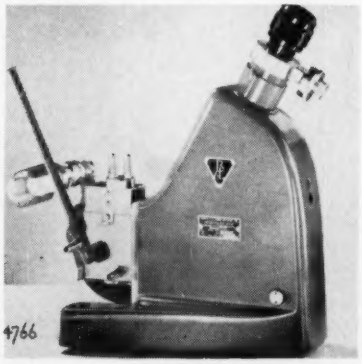
Refractometer

New "Butyro Refractometer" increases speed and accuracy of purity tests on edible oils; permits direct readings through micrometer-equipped eyepiece in butyrol number accurate to 0.1 percent; is said to have "many features not available with previous instruments." Temperatures are kept constant with spiral flow copper heat exchangers around prism boxes. Both line and fixed scale are visible simultaneously in eyepiece. Samples are quickly changed; can be read by either transmitted or reflected light.—*Bausch & Lomb Optical Co.*, 635 *St. Paul St., Rochester, N. Y.*



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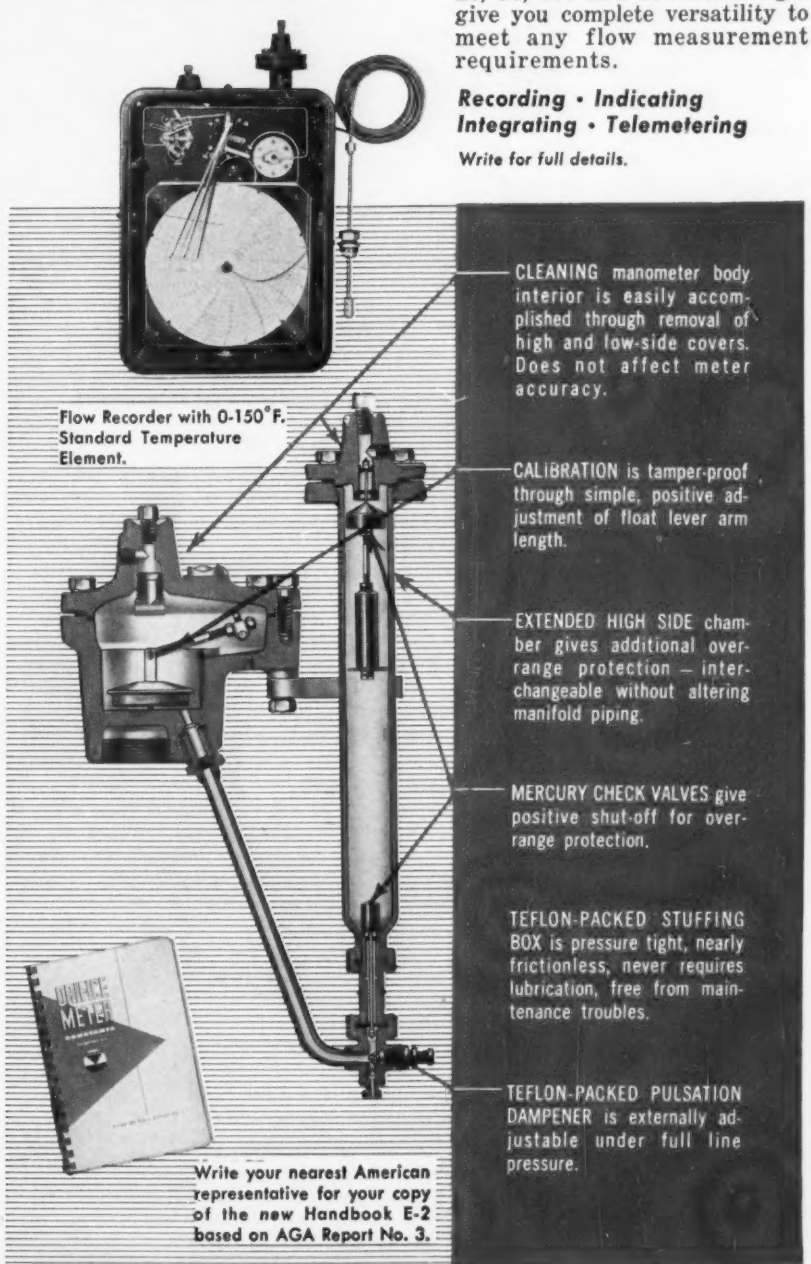
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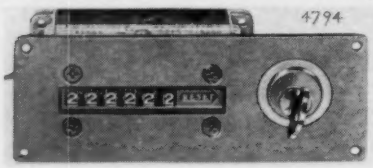
Tamper-proof Counter

New tamper-proof tumbler-lock reset electric counter, "Model 6-Y-1-2-MF" is added to line of electrically-op-



erated "Productimeters." Designed for panel mounting, it comes equipped with mounting plate, lock reset at right of plate. Assembly can be placed into a panel from front and securely fastened from front.—*Durant Mfg. Co.*, 1981 *N. Buffum Street, Milwaukee* 1, *Wis.*

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240,000-cpm. Counter

New "Model 8003 Fast Industrial Counter" achieves maximum counting rate of 4000 counts per second through a combination of low-heat cold-cathode glow transfer counting tubes and an

electromechanical register. Pulse pair resolution is 250 usec. and total count capacity is 9,999,999. Counters are built from "Unitized Functional Plug-in Strips."—*Atomic Instrument Co.*, 84 *Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge* 39, *Mass.*

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Pulse Counter

New "Cyclonome," said to offer advantages in speed and operational life over decade and mechanical registers,

has rate of up to 130 counts per second. Either d-c. pulses down to 3 milliseconds wide or a-c. cycles with a minimum half-cycle of 3 milliseconds can be counted. Life of the Cyclonome is conservatively rated at 500 million counts. Photoelectric pickups can also be furnished. Stepping motor can be obtained as a separate component, with either 1.3 or 2.6 oz.-in. torque output; maximum stepping speed 260 half-steps per second.—*Sigma Instruments, Inc.*, 77 *Pearl St., S. Braintree, Boston* 85, *Mass.*

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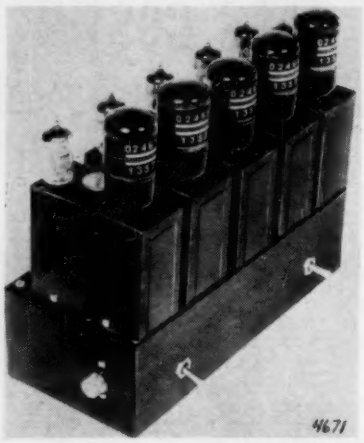
Electronic Counter

New "Model C-101" makes use of quickly interchangeable plug-in miniature decade counters; employs



one 30-kc decade counter and four 10-kc decade counters.—*Ransom Research, P. O. Box* 382, *San Pedro, Calif.*

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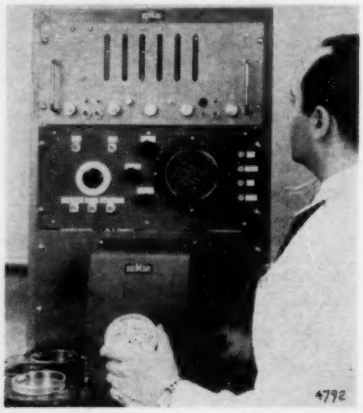
Ultrarapid Counter

New "Iconumerator" can count up to one million objects of varying shapes and sizes in one second. Illustration shows one unit for counting bacteria colonies in Petri dishes. Circuitry can be modified for wide variety of uses. Action may be likened to a human using his eyes, brain, and a



pencil and paper. Instrument "sees" objects placed in a special compartment at front, counts the objects one-by-one, remembers what it has counted and transfers results to an electrical tote board, where they appear as lighted numbers. When desired, it can actuate an electrical printing machine. "Iconumerator" employs flying spot scanning principle. It will also count irregularly shaped objects. By changing optics, particles in air can be quickly spotted.—*Instrument Div., Allen B. Du Mont Labs., Clifton, N. J.*

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Time and Frequency Counter

New "WE-210 Time Interval Meter and Frequency Standard" uses glow-transfer tubes in counter unit and a

crystal-controlled oscillator as time base. Time is displayed directly to nearest 0.0001 sec. by four easily-read decades. Two ranges (1 and 10 sec.) are provided; longer intervals are easily noted by watching thousands decade, or through use of an electromechanical register. Maximum counting rate 50,000 pulses per second.—*Westport Electric*, 149 *Lomita St., El Segundo, Calif.*

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Digitizer

New "Datrac" data translator converts voltage to digital output at the rate of 100,000 samples per second.

Will continuously furnish a parallel digital code at its output from a varying voltage input every 10 microseconds; also provides immediate follow-up of each new signal input with a digital code at the output.—*Epsco, Inc.*, 588 *Commonwealth Ave., Boston* 15, *Mass.*

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Electronic Computer

New "G-15 General Purpose Digital Electronic Computer" is said to be "capable of solving the lengthy and complex problems of research and engineering organizations." It features an improved two-address command structure. Commands provide for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division as well as branching and other logical operations. Standard input and output devices include an electric

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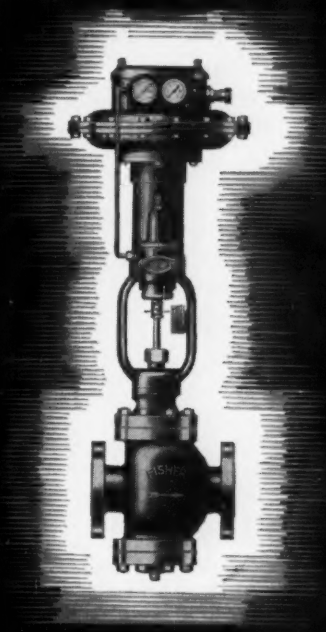

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typewriter, a photoelectric tape reader and a mechanical tape punch. Accessory magnetic tape units are available for additional storage or input and output purposes.—*Bendix Computer*, 5630 *Arbor Vitae St., Los Angeles* 45, *Calif.*

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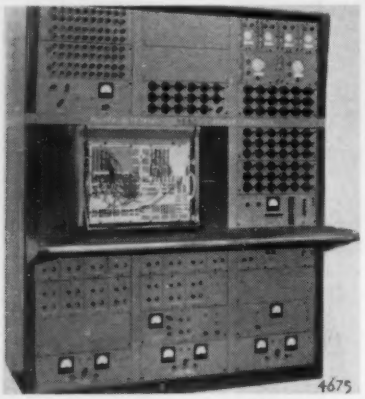
Analog Computer

New "400 Series REAC" features unique method of verification of problem solutions and a new "building



block" design; supersedes earlier "100" and "200" series REAC lines. Unique problem check presents, for first time in an analog computer, method of verification of problem before it is run.—*Reeves Instrument Corp.*, 215 *E.* 91 *St., New York* 28, *N. Y.*

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Digital Computer

New "ALWAC III," latest in maker's line of digital computers, was developed for small organizations with large computational requirements; utilizes magnetic drum storage with 4096-word memory capacity. Word length is 32 binary digits plus sign. Two instructions can be stored in space occupied by one word; 78 single

address instructions are available. Final results are printed out with form control, signs, decimal points, and alphabetical headings under control of a sequence of instructions permanently stored on the magnetic drum. Components are pluggable subassemblies.—*Logistics Research, Inc.*, 141 *So. Pacific Ave., Redondo Beach, Calif.*

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Tape-controlled Typewriter

New "Programatic Flexowriter" reads edge-punched cards or punches paper tape and automatically prepares

documents and by-product tape for data processing; provides for punching master record cards or tape used for document preparation. Tape and cards can be used interchangeably. Available in 5-channel or 8-channel tape models.—*Commercial Controls Corp.*, 1 *Leighton Ave., Rochester* 2, *New York.*

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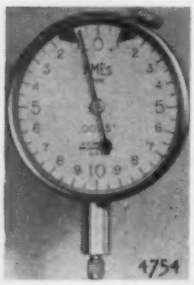
MECHANICAL GAGING and TESTING

Tolerance Hands



Newly designed tolerance hands, for maker's micrometer dial gages and dial indicators, are located directly above dial, under crystal, which makes pointers easier to see, eliminates parallax and prevents hands being moved accidentally.—*B. C. Ames Co., Waltham* 54, *Mass.*

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Height Gage

New model of "Chesterman" height gage uses a triangular scale beam for superior strength and exceptional rigidity, preventing sway and vibration. Sliding head moves through its entire range by action of full-length large-diameter screw in rear of beam. Available sizes 12, 18, 24, 40 and 48 in.—*George Scherr Co. Inc.*, 200 *Lafayette St., New York* 12, *N. Y.*

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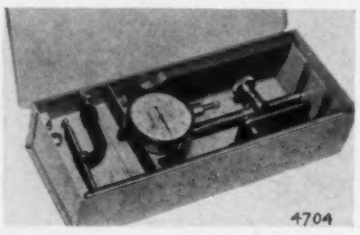
Dial Indicator Test Set

New checking unit for machinists, tool makers, and inspection departments, consists of one Geneva Dial Indicator in either 0.001-in., 0.0005-in. or 0.0001-in. graduations, and variety of attachments for checking parts in



almost any conceivable position, all in dust-free metal box.—*Chicago Dial Indicator Co.*, 180 *N. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill.*

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Measuring Magnifier

New "vest-pocket" comparator features glass reticle instead of film reticle found on other miniature comparators. Reticle pattern is etched in glass; glass will not bend or warp. Special feature of reticle is thickness comparison scale (parallel lines 0.002 to 0.007 inch apart) making possible direct measurement of thicknesses of sheet materials such as paper or plastic. Both reticle and object to be measured are magnified six times.—*Edmund Scientific Corp., Barrington* 3, *N. J.*

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Universal Tester-recorder

New table model of maker's universal testing instrument records stress-strain curves under tension or

compression. Full-scale load ranges from 2 grams to 200 lbs. available through choice of three load cells. Inertialess weighing permits rapid response to load fluctuations in sample. High-speed recorder is equipped with magnetic clutches and change gears provide choice of constant and reversible testing speeds over 250-to-1 range. choice of synchronous chart speeds. —*Instron Engineering Corp.*, 2 *Hancock St., Quincy* 71, *Mass.*

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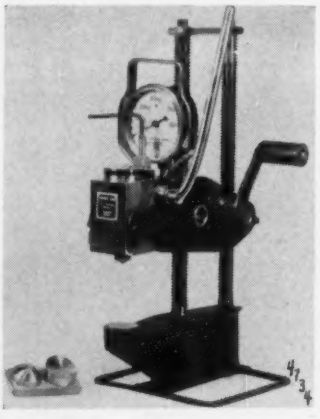
Hardness Tester

New portable, light-weight hardness tester, for Brinell tests on all kinds of non-ferrous alloys, has re-



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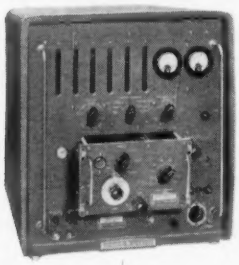

-*hp*- 524B Electronic Counter with 525/526 series Plug-Ins. Revolutionary all-purpose, direct-reading counter. Buy basic counter, plug-ins giving measuring coverage you need now. Later add other inexpensive plug-ins to double, triple counter's usefulness. Basic counter range: Frequency 10 cps to 10 MC, period 0 cps to 10 KC, stability 1/1,000,000. -*hp*- 524B, $2,150.00Δ.

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-*hp*- 526A Video Amplifier increases counter's sensitivity to 10 mv, 10 cps to 10 MC. $150.00.

-*hp*- 526B Time Interval Unit permits counter to measure interval 1 μsec to 100 days with accuracy of 0.1 μsec, ±0.001%. $175.00.

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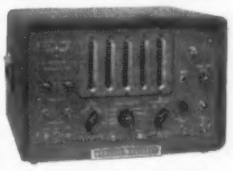

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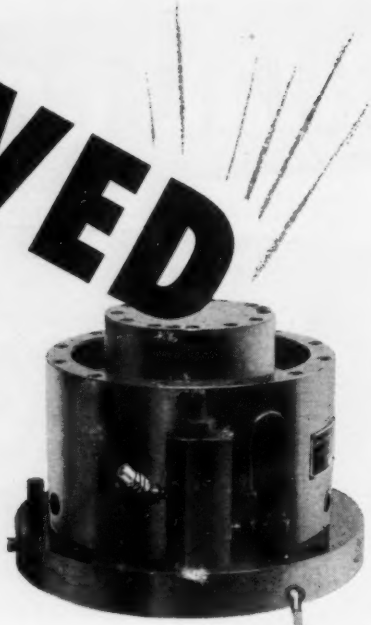

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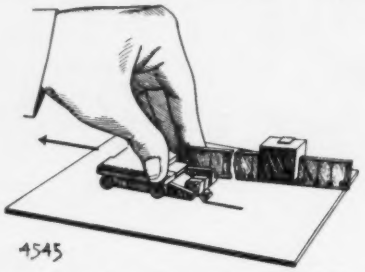
Scratch-hardness Tester

New "Hoffman Scratch-hardness Tester" determines also the adhesion of industrial product finishes. It is



said to make an ideal combination with "Clarkstan Industrial Microscope" and both instruments can be carried in pocket.—*Gardner Lab., Inc., Bethesda* 14, *Md.*

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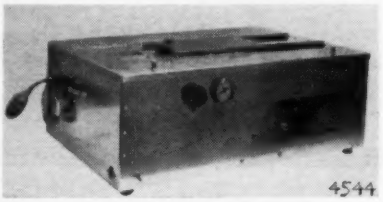
Blush-resistance Tester

New "Gardner-Sharples Blush Cabinet" determines blush resistance of lacquers within 1 percent in minutes.



Readings of temperature and humidity are made directly. Operation technique is simple.—*Gardner Lab., Inc., Bethesda* 14, *Md.*

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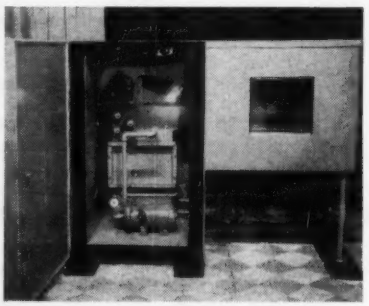
Temperature-humidity Test Cabinet

New air-conditioned test cabinet provides full control of relative humidity (5 to 95 percent) and tempera-



ture. Method used is that of saturating air at required dew-point temperature and reheating to desired dry-bulb temperature.—*Niagara Blower Co., 405 Lexington Ave., New York* 17, *N. Y.*

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Temperature Test Chamber

New "Model TDI-8" 8-cu.-ft. high and low temperature environmental testing chamber features a removable dry ice compartment as a source of cold air; plugs into 110-v. line; is equipped with swivel casters for mobility. Temperature control is automatic; indicating or recording instrumentation optionally available.—*Tenney Engineering, Inc.*, 1090 *Springfield Rd., Union, N. J.*

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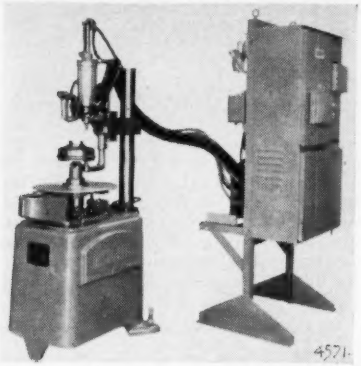
Balancing Machine

"Model 6780" static balancing machine, with spot welder for correction of brake drums, has angular location of unbalance retained on universal level indicator; amount is calibrated



in terms of slug class needed to correct it. When desired, balance can be checked with slug in place on workpiece before welding.—*Micro-Poise Engineering and Sales Co.*, 14851 *Grand River Ave., Detroit 27, Mich.*

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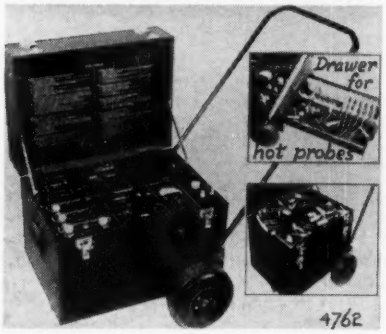
Jet Engine Analyzer

New "Model J Jetcal Analyzer" tests exhaust gas temperatures (EGT) and engine speed (RPM) sys-



tems and isolates errors if they exist. Test of EGT thermocouple circuit is unique: uses specially-designed probes, each containing a "furnace" developing a precisely controlled temperature up to 900 C. and a test TC. In addition, analyzer checks individual TCs "on bench" before placement in harness and within harness, checks TCs and paralleling harness for accuracy, checks resistance and insulation of EGT circuit, checks EGT indicators in or out of aircraft, enables tabbing or micing of engine at optimal exhaust gas temperature and engine speed and functionally checks aircraft thermal switches.—*B & H Instrument Co., Inc., Fort Worth 7, Texas.*

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Two companion instruments, Types 21-610 and 21-620, now extend the speed and accuracy of mass spectrometric analysis from the laboratory out into the plant. Flexible and simplified, needing only 115 volts and a small supply of cooling water, the twin instruments are easily adaptable to process-stream monitoring, batch work, or leak detection.

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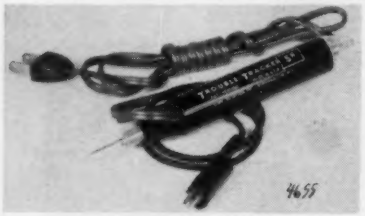
ELECTRICAL TESTING

Circuit Checkers

New "Trouble Trackers" are circuit checkers for electricians, repairmen, and industrial engineers. "Trouble Tracker, Sr." can be used from 60 to



400 v.ac. or 90 to 400 v.dc., or on resistances up to 80 megohms. "Trouble Tracker, Jr." is for locating broken wires, bad connections, and short circuits.—*Link Aviation, Inc., Binghamton, N. Y.*

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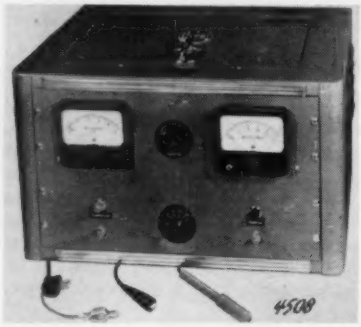
Insulation Tester

New "Model 424 d.c. Hypot" is instrument for dielectric testing up to 5000 v.d.c., and insulation resistance



measurement up to 50,000 megohms. Featured is continuously variable output voltage of 0-5000 v.d.c.—*Associated Research, Inc.*, 3767 *W. Belmont Ave., Chicago* 18, *Ill.*

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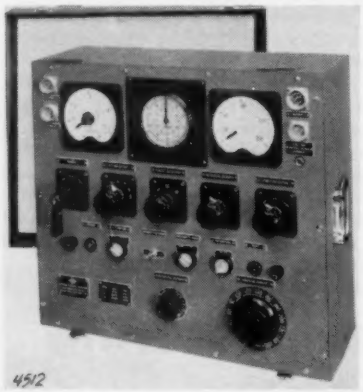
Portable Relay Analyzer

New "Model 245 Portable Relay Analyzer" is equipped with facilities to accurately test and calibrate the in-



dividual elements of power system relays, circuit breakers, and other types of electrical equipment. Provides 0-270 volts and 0-125 amperes.—*Arthur E. Booth Co.*, 265 *S. Alexandria Ave., Los Angeles* 4, *Calif.*

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Fault Locating Bridge

New "Wheatstone and Fault Locating" bridge is designed for field operation. As Wheatstone Bridge, resistances from zero to 1.2 megohm

can be measured directly. For fault locating, Varley Loop ratios are 1/1, 1/4 and 1/9; Murray Loop ratios include 10, 100, and 1000. Instrument can be used also as continuity checker, capacitance checker, or precision four-dial decade box.—*Electro-Measurements, Inc.*, 4312 *S. E. Stark St., Portland* 15, *Oregon.*

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Signal Generator

New "Model 324" signal generator can be used for IF-RF alignment; signal tracing, and troubleshooting. Frequency range is 150 kc to 145 Mc

on fundamentals in 6 bands; and 111 Mc to 435 Mc on calibrated harmonics.—*Electronic Instrument Co., Inc.*, 84 *Withers St., Brooklyn* 11, *N. Y.*

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Variable-frequency Generator

New "Model 1455" variable-frequency generator features: range of 20 cps to 18 kc in 6 ranges, full-load-no-load regulation of 2 percent, dis-

tortion less than 3 percent from 30 cps to 18 kc, and low dynamic output impedance of 70 ohms. Power output is 50 va into unity power factor.—*Communication Measurements Lab., Inc.*, 350 *Leland Ave., Plainfield, N. J.*

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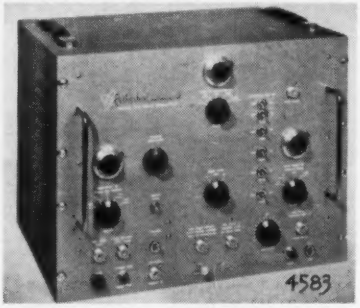
Pulse Generator

New "Model B-2A" has an added input trigger circuit to permit selection of external triggering levels and



operation from slowly-rising trigger wave forms. Cooling fan has been relocated on rear of cabinet, quintupling area of dust filter and thus improving cooling. Output circuit has been changed to eliminate starting and switching transients.—*Rutherford Electronics Co.*, 3707 *S. Robertson Blvd., Culver City, Calif.*

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Signal Generator

New "Model 131," for testing circuits operating in 7-70-Mc. range, is capable of CW, pulse or sweep operation; features: built-in 5,000-Mc.

crystal frequency standard, electronic linear frequency sweep, continuously-tunable frequency marker, choice of two types of markers (spike or blanking), zero amplitude reference for sweep output, calibrated 0.5-v. rms. output to 50-ohm impedance, zero to 101-db step attenuator, and independent use of attenuator.—*Avion Instrument Corp.*, 299 *State Highway No.* 17, *Paramus, N. J.*

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Audio-sweep Generators

New "Model AB" (20-200,000 cps.), "AC" (2-20,000 cps.) and "ADB" (0.2-2000) cps. eliminate time-consum-

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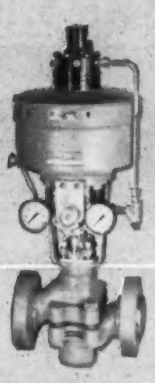
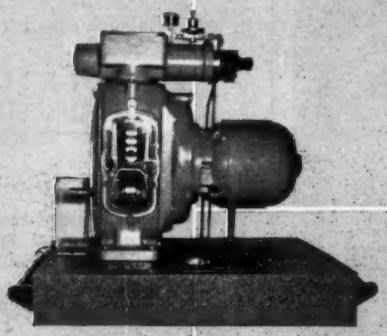


Conoflow Series LB Control Valve

CONVENTIONAL—Control Valve

One of the most conventional methods of controlling practically any variable is to use a control valve to regulate the fluid stream on the discharge side of a pump or similar prime mover. This is, of course, a simple and obvious approach, but frequently poses serious problems especially when handling extremely viscous materials, abrasive materials, corrosive fluids, etc. One of the proved and accepted methods of hurdling these perplexing obstacles is to control at the source by positioning .....



Cylinder Conomotor actuating variable speed drive (Link Belt)

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In this manner the prime mover is actuated directly by the control instrument—eliminating the necessity of breaking into the line downstream to install a control valve. A most common method of accomplishing this is to control the pump speed by means of a mechanical variable speed transmission. Cylinder Conomotors are available as original equipment on a wide variety of drive units similar to the one illustrated here, including U. S. Electrical Motors, Sterling Electric Motors, Graham Transmissions, Reeves Pulley, etc. Many pumps have been adapted for direct control by using Cylinder Conomotors to automatically adjust pump stroke as in the Lapp Pulsafeeder and Milton Roy pumps. In some cases it is more practical to control at the source through electrical means by modulating .....

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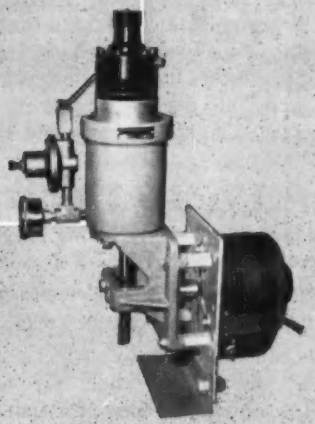
Conoflow EB Current Controllers operating from a 3-15 or other standard range pneumatic controller are available in over 200 combinations of electrical components for controlling voltage, current, inductance, capacitance, resistance or other electrical values. A common approach to the regulation of fluid flow in this manner is to position the rheostat in the motor field or the armature circuit as a direct function of signal pressure, thereby regulating the speed of the D.C. shunt-wound motor driving the pump. On many applications, variable speed transmissions and electric motors can be controlled from zero to full capacity offering a resultant control range that cannot be matched by conventional control valves. In installations involving large capacity equipment this can prove extremely important since it eliminates the needless operation of large centrifugal pumps running at constant speed wasting power by discharging against a stalled or greatly restricted head.



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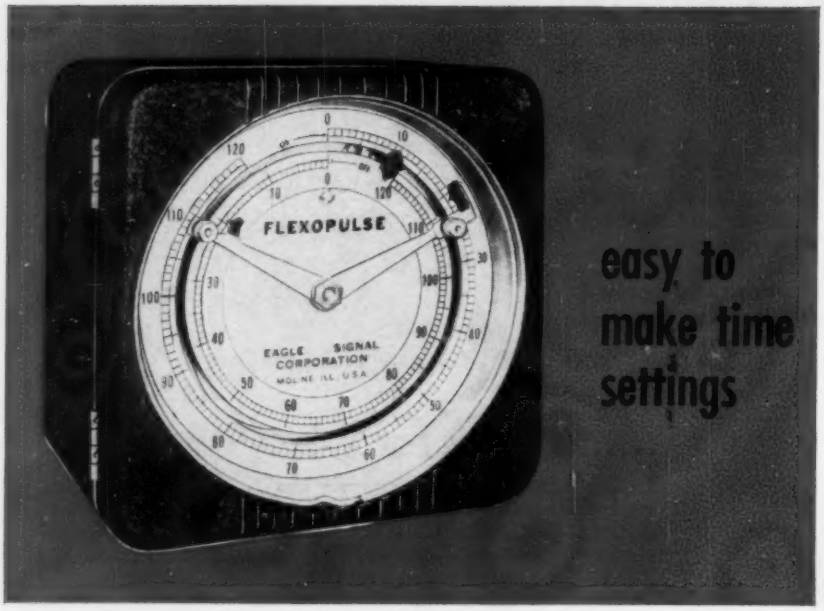

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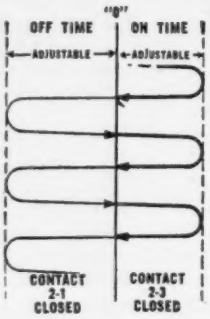

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Corona Test Set

Nine new corona test sets utilizing 60-cps. a.c. range from 10 kv. to 30 kv. and 40 kva. for truly non-destructive h-v. testing; meet ASTM, MIL and JAN specs; feature straight-line 'scope presentation; can be safely operated by unskilled personnel; include all necessary controls and circuit refinements. Method: gradual application of a.c. to required test voltage or until corona starts, in which case starting-point is detected by unmistakable corona pulses on 'scope screen. —*Peschel Electronics, Inc., 13 Garden St., New Rochelle, N. Y.*

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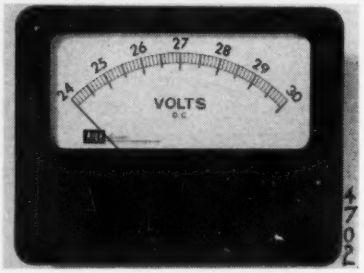
ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENTS

D-c. Voltmeters

New d.c. expanded-scale voltmeters for panel mounting feature linear scale which includes only useful span.



Standard base voltages 6.25 to 230, with span from 4 to 25 percent of base voltage. Hermetically-sealed and ruggedized models meet military specs. —*Arga Div., Beckman Instruments, Inc., South Pasadena, Calif.*

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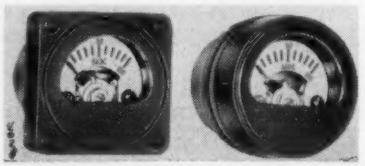
Sealed Panel Instruments

New 1-in. "Model 100" uses a miniaturized version of external-pivot d'Arsonval movement. Scale windows and



terminals are gasket-sealed. "O" ring panel gasket and locknut provide shock-proof mounting.—*Electronic Sales Div., DeJur-Amsco Corp., 45-01 Northern Blvd., Long Island City 1, N. Y.*

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Panel Instruments

New line of precision reference-standard panel instruments are available in both edgewise and vertically

mounted panel types. Curved-face edgewise types feature accuracy to 0.25 percent, flat-faced vertical type feature accuracy to 0.5 percent (in Model UPP). Various ranges are available in permanent magnet types, dynamometer types, moving iron types, or electrostatic types.—*Sensitive Research Instrument Corp.*, 9-11 *Elm Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.*

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Panel-mounted VTVM

New "Model F" is a complete dc. vacuum-tube voltmeter that can be mounted in operating or test equipment without exceeding area required by a standard panel instrument. Complete amplifier and power supply circuits are contained within housing, and terminals are available for dc. signal input and for 60-cps. power input. Available in single scale sensitivities from 1 to 300 volts. Multiple-scale operation readily tailored—either at factory or by equipment designer.—*Trio Labs., Inc.*, 3293 *Seaford Ave., Wantagh, L. I., N. Y.*

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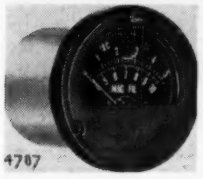
Multi-scale Instruments



New "Series HD-647" indicators are available with up to five a-c. or d-c. scales in all sensitivities. Either 2½ in. (JAN-1-6) or 3½ in. (ASA) sealed housings combining drawn-metal cases and die-cast aluminum mounting flanges.—*De Jur Amsco Corp.*, 45-01 *Northern Blvd, Long Island City* 1, *N. Y.*

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Microvoltmeter

New "Model 202" microvoltmeter-amplifier is said to be "noteworthy for high input impedance, high sensitivity, high stability, instant polarity indication, and stable zero." Selector switch for 13 ranges from a base of 0-300 uv. to a peak of 0-300 v. Output terminals on rear permit new instrument to be used as a low-

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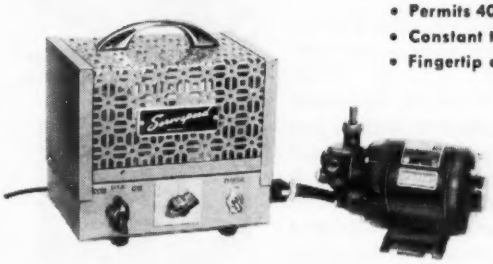

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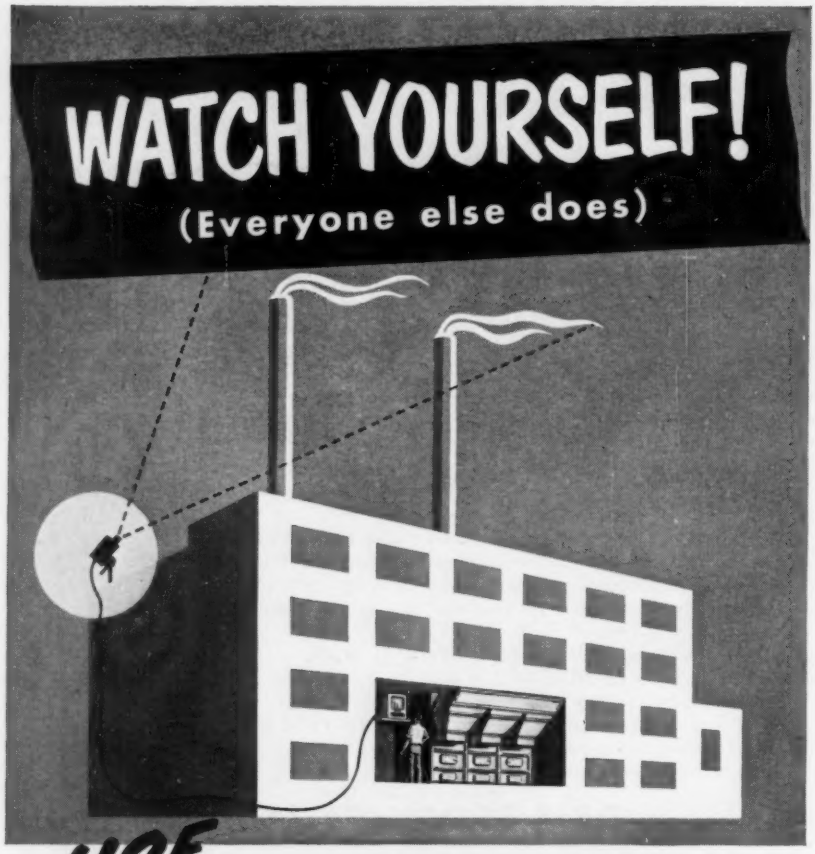

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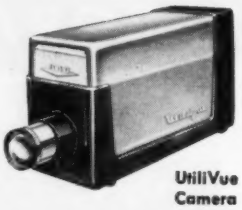

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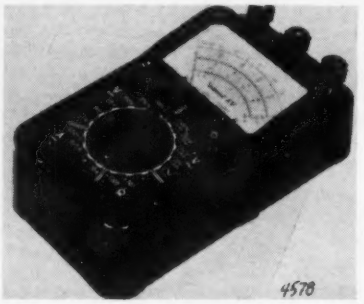
Electrical Indicating Instruments

New to U. S. is complete line of C. P. Goerz (Vienna). "Universal HV" (illustrated) measures voltage, current, resistance, and capacitance.



High-voltage probe permits measuring direct voltages to 15,000. Decibel scale for attenuation.—*Physics Research Labs., Inc.*, 507 *Hempstead Turnpike, W. Hempstead, N. Y.*

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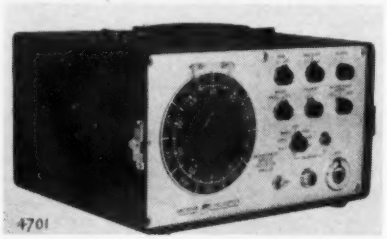
Bridge Indicator

New "Model 101" resistance bridge indicator is a self-balancing instrument for measuring output of resis-



tance-bridge acceleration, strain, pressure and position pickups, also resistance thermometers, with 1, 2 or 4 active legs.—*American Helicopter Div., Fairchild Engine & Airplane Corp.*, 1800 *Rosecrans Ave., Manhattan Beach, Calif.*

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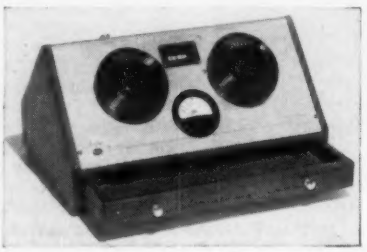
"L"-band Wavemeter

New "Model 228" is a coaxial line instrument covering frequency range 900-2400 Mc. by transmission. Among



features: HF stability through temperature range 10 to 40 C., extreme mechanical stability, 0.02 percent accuracy.—*Amerac, Inc.*, 116 *Topsfield Road, Wenham, Mass.*

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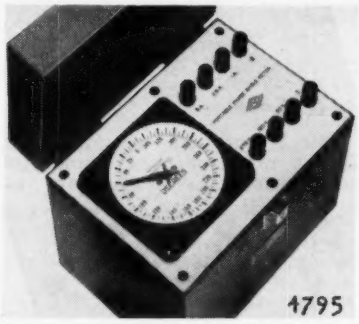
Phase-angle Meter

New "No. 648" is particularly useful in checking performance of directional overcurrent relays, etc.; also in



measuring power factor in each phase of a polyphase watthour meter installation. Ranges 60, 120 and 240 volts; 1, 2.5 and 5 amps.—*The Eastern Specialty Co., Philadelphia 40, Pa.*

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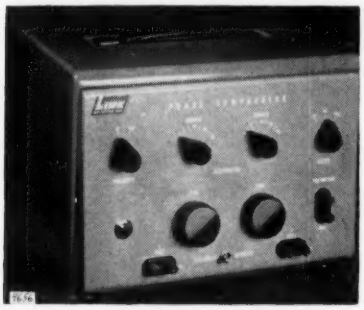
Phase Comparator

New "Model 201" phase comparator permits precision measurement of phase relationship of in-phase and out-of-phase voltages. Measures input



voltages from 1.0 to 120 volts through a frequency range of 60 cycles to 400 cycles with an accuracy of 0.33 milliradian at 400 cycles, and 0.1 milliradian at 60 cycles.—*Link Aviation, Inc., Binghamton, N. Y.*

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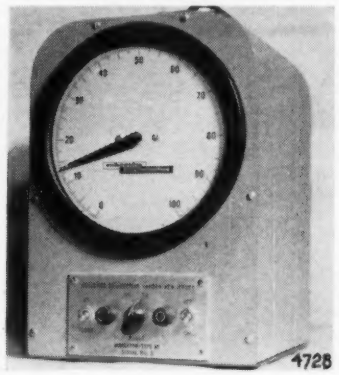
Self-balanced Indicator

New "Type DK Indicator" is a portable high-speed self-contained instrument fed from pressure, temperature,



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NEW INSTRUMENTS

force or displacement pickups using 60-cps. linear variable differential transformers. Output of contained LVDT is automatically balanced against that of an external LVDT. Two-position rotary switch on front of case varies high range sensitivity automatically by a preset amount; calibration switch checks indicator zero at any time without interrupting process being checked.—*Schaevitz Engineering, Camden* 1, *N. J.*

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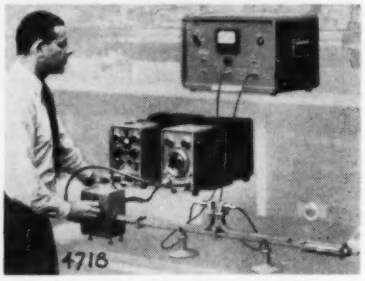
Reflectometer System

New reflectometer system capable of wide range microwave impedance measurements includes a new ratio



meter, a 7 to 10 kMc. swept-frequency oscillator, a power supply, and related crystal detectors and directional couplers; makes possible direct and continuous swept-frequency oscilloscope presentation, production checking of reflection coefficient or SWR, etc.—*Hewlett-Packard Co.,* 395 *Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif.*

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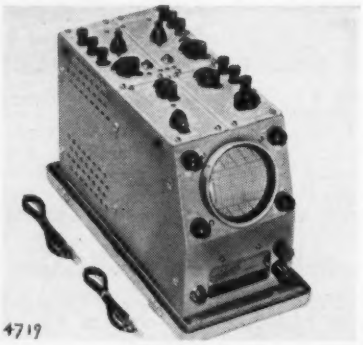
Portable Oscilloscope

New "Model 385" lightweight 3-in. portable oscilloscope features a new 6-section unitized circuit construction



for minimum interaction between amplifiers and sweeps; provides for replaceable circuit sections as individual units; is available as a portable, as a portable with moisture-proof carrying case or as a rack mount.—*Hickok Electrical Instrument Co.,* 10519 *Dupont Ave., Cleveland* 8, *Ohio.*

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Oscilloscopes

Two new a-c. oscilloscopes are said to feature wide bandwidth, high sensitivity and low price. Called "Models 701" and "701-D" (with delay line), they cover range of 5 cps. to 10 Mc. and are useful to 20 Mc. Sensitivity

16 mv. peak to peak per cm.; rise time 0.035 usec.; useful deflection 4 in.; triggered or recurrent sweeps from 0.1 to 10,000 usec. per cm.; high input impedance (2 megohms) paralleled by 25 mmf permits accurate measurements through low loading of tested circuit. Internal 1-kc. square wave available for calibration and adjustment of attenuators and probes. Cathode follower outputs for external gate and sweep connections provide synchronization for auxiliary equipment. On the "701-D," leading edges of pulses can be effectively displayed by delaying vertical signal through a 0.25-usec. delay line until sweep starts. —*Browning Labs., Inc., 750 Main St., Winchester, Mass.*

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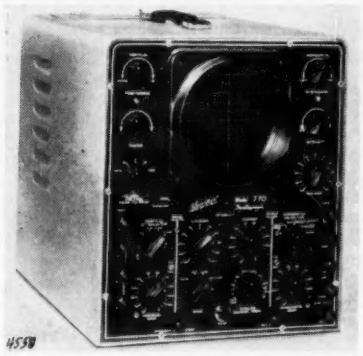
5-inch Oscilloscope

New "Model 770" 5-inch oscilloscope features: vertical-amplifier response from 0 to 5 Mc (3db); horizontal-amplifier response from 0 to 500 kc (3db); sweep circuit frequency from



2 cycles to 30 kc; input impedance of 2.2 megohms; vertical-amplifier def. sens. of 0.01 rms v/inch; horizontal-amplifier defl. sens. of 0.075 rms v/inch; illuminated, calibrated screen; built-in calibrated voltages.—*Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., 10528 Dupont Avenue, Cleveland 8, Ohio.*

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High-speed Oscilloscope

New "Type 336" cathode-ray oscilloscope is designed for precise measurements and analyses of phenomena

at high rates of speed. Using internal standard, full-scale ranges extend from 1 volt to 500 volts. Sync shaper circuit permits differentiation of sync signal.—*Allen B. Du Mont Labs., Inc., 760 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J.*

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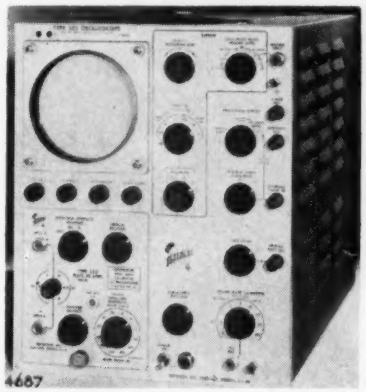
Oscilloscope

New "Type 532" offers advantages of all "Type 53" and "Type 53/54 Plug-In" units; is designed for users



who do not need high-speed sweeps, high writing rate, and wide passband of "Type 531." Simplified circuitry eases vacuum-tube loading; lower accelerating potential reduces possibility of screen damage at very-slow sweep speeds and makes possible greater linear vertical deflection.—*Tektronix, Inc., P. O. Box 831, Portland 7, Ore.*

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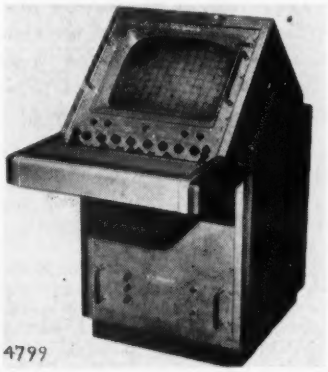
Console Oscilloscopes

New "1700 Series" models of maker's CROs can be installed in modern console-type cabinet for maximal convenience of operator; feature 17-in.



rectangular tube with face inclined for maximal viewing ease. Cabinet is steel, ventilated and with space for storage. Rubber-tired casters can be supplied for ease of mobility.—*Electromec, Inc., 3200 N. Fernando Blvd., Burbank, Calif.*

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Quick-start Oscillograph

New "S14-E" is an improved version of "S14." Two kinds of chart-drive systems are now available: one employs miniature V belts; the other a continuously-variable transmission. Standard accessories include drum-

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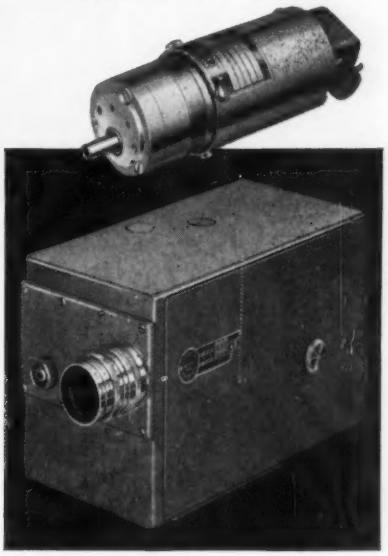
d-c motors

chosen to drive new Vought Photographic Recorders



Designed primarily for use on aircraft, the Vought 16 mm. Photographic Recorder takes up to 16 photos per second . . . and 4,000 individual pictures without reloading.

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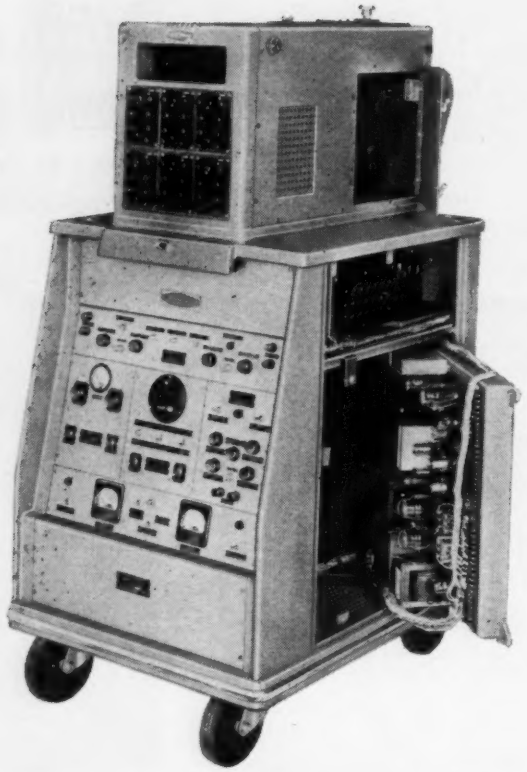

Multi-channel Recording D-C to 200 kc

Hathaway New SC-16B

The SC-16B is a complete oscillograph which records up to 12 signals on a single chart. It produces sharp, well defined records even at the highest frequencies. The SC-16B is useful in research programs requiring multi-channel, high frequency recording of pressure, strain, vibration, and acceleration.

SPECIFICATIONS

Number of Channels: Up to 12 **Chart Speed:** 1.6 to 6000 inches per second **Chart Size:** 6 inches x 100 or 200 feet; 6 inches x 15 inches; 6 inches x 10 feet; 35 mm. x 400 or 1000 feet **Frequency Response:** D-C to 200 kilocycles **Writing Rate:** 5,000,000 inches per second **Chart Speed Change:** 16 speed quick-change transmission **Voltage Input Level:** 1.5 volts r.m.s. per inch on tube screen; 1.5 millivolts r.m.s. per inch on tube screen with type ASC-10 D-C Amplifier **Timing Lines:** Precision tuning fork controlled at 1/100 or 1/1000 second intervals **Synchronization:** Transient can be initiated from oscillograph, or transient can initiate oscillograph **Record Length Control:** For continuously-moving-chart recording, 0.75 to 15 seconds; for drum-type-chart recording, 5 milliseconds to 1 second.

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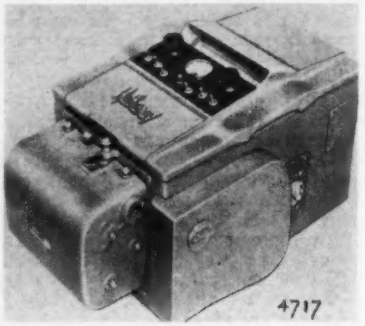

type record magazine, time coordinate device, and automatic transient-recording equipment capable of starting in 2 milliseconds.—*Hathaway Instrument Co., 1315 S. Clarkson St., Denver 10, Colo.*

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Small Oscillograph

New "Model 581," said to be "the smallest complete flight-test oscillograph available today," measures stresses, strains, vibrations, etc., under extreme acceleration, shock and temperature conditions. Among features: automatic record-numbering, automatic length-control (resettable by remote control), full-width timing lines at 0.01 and 0.1 sec., trace identification, paper speeds from 0.5 to 44.75 ips.—*Midwestern Instruments, 3401 S. Harvard, Tulsa, Okla.*

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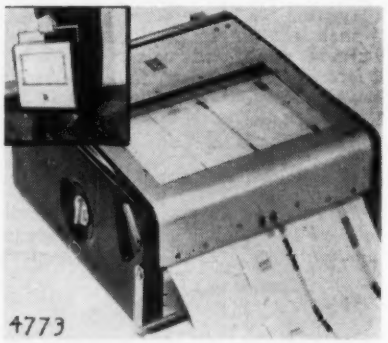
Portable Oscillographs

Two new lightweight oscillographs are announced: Four-channel unit weighs 36 lbs.; six-channel 48 lbs.



Each provides full range instrumentation, offering 16 chart speeds from 10 in. per day to 10 ips.; either ink or electric writing; "can record a greater range of signals with optimum resolution than other direct-writing oscillographs."—*Brush Electronics Co., 3405 Perkins Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohio.*

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Plastic-inkwell Recorder

New "Type CH" strip-chart recorder is portable, semiflush or surface-mounted models to record current, voltage, power, frequency or speed. Novel feature is throw-away inkwell: replacement ink is supplied in plastic inkwells containing 3 oz. (triple the amount normally contained in usual open-type well) delivered sealed for quick insertion with no spilling. Ink is

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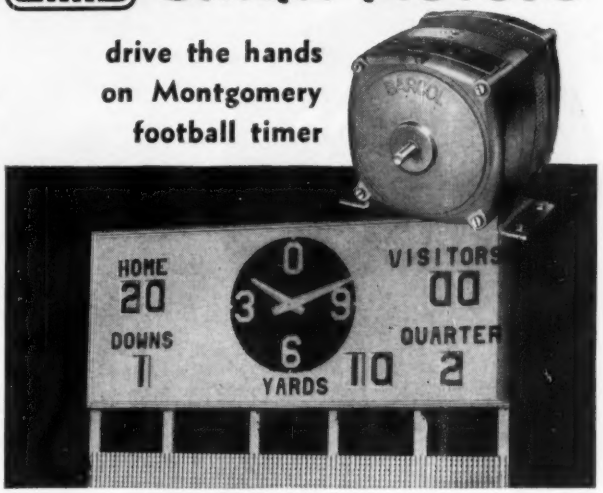

Football timers with hands sweeping an eight-foot diameter, such as on the Montgomery timers, require highly dependable small motors with high starting torque. To meet these requirements, Montgomery Manufacturing Co., Owensville, Indiana, selected two types of Barber-Colman geared head motors: synchronous type PYAZ to drive the second hand mechanism, and type HYAZ to drive the minute hand. For precise operation of your product, too, there's a wide line of high torque Barber-Colman Small Motors . . . up to 1/20 hp . . . unidirectional, synchronous, and reversible . . . with or without reduction gearing. Write for data.

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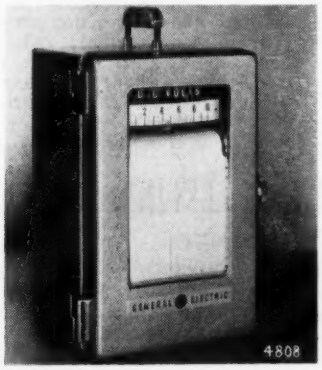

all used before disposal of container because minute pen opening minimizes evaporation. Record roll length 150 ft.; 28 chart speeds from ¼ in. per hr. to 2 ips.; response time "as little as half a second." Choice of electric or 60-day spring clock chart drive. Case is weather-resistant with rubber-gasket-sealed door; is of die-cast aluminum. Portable model is 10.47 x 17.16 x 13 in.; others vary slightly.—*Instrument Dep't, General Electric Co., 40 Federal St., West Lynn 3, Mass.*

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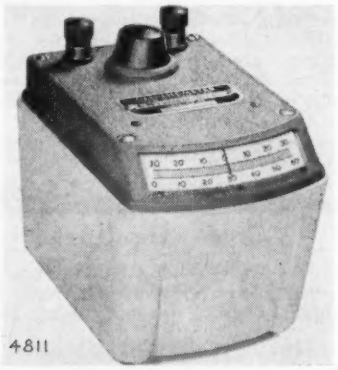
Galvanometers

New design and color styling is announced for maker's mirror and pointer type portable galvanometers. Illustration shows first such new model: housing is smaller than that of earlier "200 Series" models and, be-



cause of its practical finish (two-tone gray wrinkle), shows little if any accumulation of dust, etc.—*G-M Laboratories Inc., 4300 N. Knox Ave., Chicago 41, Ill.*

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Dielectric Voltage Divider

New "Type PD-2 Dielectric Potentiometer" is a new-principle variable voltage divider which is free of phase and frequency distortion over range of 20 cps. to 10 Mc.; is a three-terminal network with a lossy liquid dielectric immersing the terminal electrode structure. Output electrode is mechanically mobile with respect to input electrode. Stopless movement through the liquid dielectric provides a smoothly continuous voltage division. Constant *RC* product of the two ratio arms assures the same voltage division for any and all frequencies within band range of device. Attenuation range is approx. 25 db, resolution is infinite, and input impedance over a wide range can be provided.—*Technology Instrument Corp., Acton, Mass.*

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Variable Attenuator

New "Tri-Plate" variable attenuator for coaxial lines features unique construction using a movable resistive

card sandwiched within a new type of printed circuit transmission line; is designed for use as an uncalibrated pad in 1000-6000-Mc. range. For con-

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venience, dial carries approx. calibration reading directly in db at 3, 4 and 5 kMc.—*Sanders Assoc., Inc., Nashua, N. H.*

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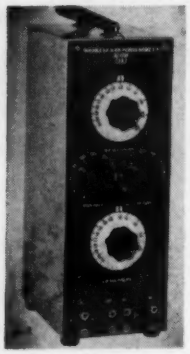
Audio-frequency Filter



New "Model 2-A Filter Set" is said to be first of its type for low-frequency applications from 15 cps to 10,000 cps. Passive network unit is continuously variable high-pass and low-pass audio-frequency filter. Equipment has only two controls for each group of filters. One control is a switch in octave steps, second control is a multiplier, making filter continuously variable between the octave steps on the switch. Attenuation outside of pass band is 30 db per octave. Handles 5 watts in a 600-ohm circuit. "Model 2-B Filter" covers frequency range of 60 to 20,000 cps.—*Allison Labs., 14185 Skyline Drive, Puente, Calif.*

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Voltage Regulator

New "Stabiline Type TM" (Tubeless Magnetic) automatic voltage regulator holds output voltage to within one-volt band, has a speed or response of less than one second for full range correction. Maximum waveform distortion is 3 percent. Corrects for voltage input change from 95 to 135 volts; nominal output is 115 volts. Frequency range is 55 to 65 cps.—*Superior Electric Co., Bristol, Conn.*

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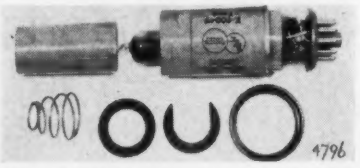
Squaring Circuit

New "Z-90049," designed to operate from 0 to 1 Mc, is intended to square input sine or complex waveforms; pro-



vides relatively fast rise and decay times; can also be used as a base and peak clipper.—*EECO Production Co., 827 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles 5, Calif.*

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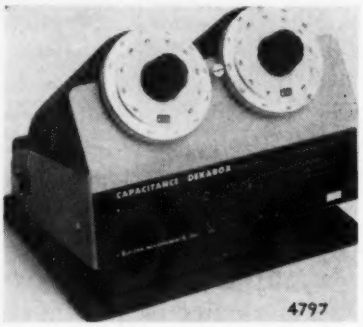
Capacitance Decade

New "Model DC-40 Dekabox" features low dissipation factor and straight-line readout (example in photo: "2458"). Four decade step



switches provide coverage of 1-uf. capacitance range in ten thousand incremental steps of 0.0001 uf. each. Accurate capacitance selection is assured through use of precision components, "dry-filmed" ceramic switches having solid silver alloy contacts, and firm positioning switch detents.—*Electro-Measurements, Inc., 4312 S. E. Stark St., Portland 15, Ore.*

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AMPLIFIERS and POWER SUPPLIES

Voltage Amplifier

New "Model 3400-A" is for use as a preamplifier ahead of electronic instruments. Is a direct-coupled two-

stage amplifier having an output through a capacity network. Gain is approximately 100 to 100,000 cps and 50 at 200,000 cps.—*Electro Products Labs., 4503 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill.*

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Measurement Amplifier

New "Model P" is an electronic linear amplifier designed to increase speed and accuracy of low-level direct voltage measurements; is basic instrument of maker's electropneumatic and electrohydraulic measurement and control systems; is completely compatible with inputs from thermistors, thermocouples, radiation receivers, thermal converters and d-c. strain gages; is available in multiple fixed and adjustable ranges; with fixed or adjustable zero suppression circuits.—*Hagan Corp., 323 4th Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.*

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Magnetic Amplifier

New "Constrained Bridge Model 505-1" features high power efficiency, low quiescent power consumption and freedom from zero drift due to change in rectifier characteristics; is applicable to instrument servo applications where close packaging requires minimum size and where unit force cooling is not possible. Efficiencies up to 90 percent are possible for response lags of a few cycles of power frequen-

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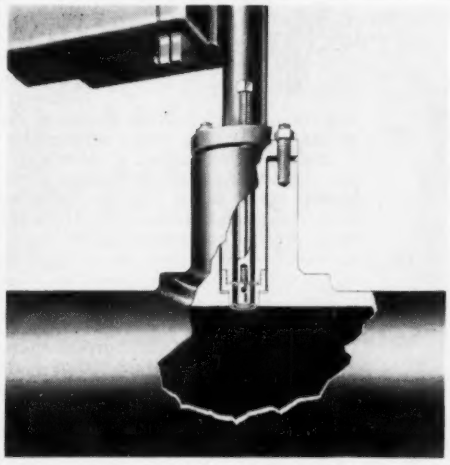

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cy. Bias current is not needed in this system, whence further stability.—*Librascope, Inc.*, 808 *Western Ave., Glendale, Calif.*

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Miniature Amplifier

New "Type 338 Transistor Preamplifier" can amplify one thousand times electrical signals whose power

is a billionth of a watt; generates almost no electrical noise of its own which might distort signals; is operated by four mercury cells, about the size of four shoe buttons, which last 1000 hours.—*Allen B. Du Mont Labs, Inc.*, 760 *Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J.*

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Preamplifier

New "Model 3400-A" is low-cost voltage amplifier intended for use as a preamplifier or as all-purpose laboratory-type voltage amplifier. Two stages; gain of 200 at frequencies between 1 and 30,000 cps. Peak-to-peak output is 10 volts. Time constant of output network permits satisfactory operation at frequencies down to 1 cps.—*Electro Products Labs.*, 4503 *N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago* 40, *Ill.*

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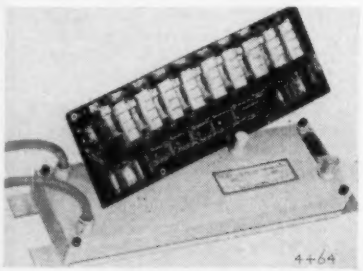
I-f. Amplifiers

New miniature light-weight i-f. radar amplifiers incorporate low-noise front ends. New techniques, materials



and methods are employed to provide, for example, a nine-tube completely-enclosed amplifier that measures 8½ x 3 x ¾ in. and weighs 1 lb. Automatic and/or manual gain control 100 db or greater: noise figures better than 2 db; ambient temperature –65 C. to 100 C.; withstand 30 *G* shock and 10 *G* vibration for extended periods.—*RS Electronics Corp.*, 435 *Portage Ave., Palo Alto, Calif.*

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500-Watt Amplifier

New "T-11" linear power amplifier, designed for high power outputs in cw, am and single side-band operation at 75, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters, provides low harmonic output, excellent stability and freedom from parasitics; is mounted in a 21 x 15 x 12 in. metal cabinet with self-contained heavy-duty power supply; weighs 80 lbs.—*Transitron, Inc.*, 154 *Spring St., New York* 12, *N. Y.*

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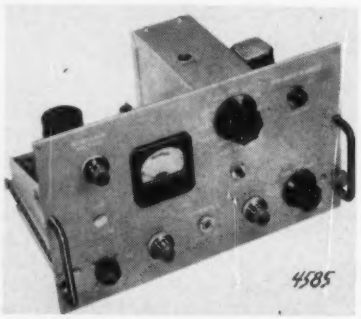
Preamplifier

New "Model 150-1200 Servo Monitor Preamplifier" is a phase-discriminating a-c amplifier. Basic sensitivity



is 10 mv/cm. Input voltage range is 50 mv to 50 volts; frequency range is 60 cycles to 10 kc.—*Sanborn Co., Ind. Div.*, 195 *Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, Mass.*

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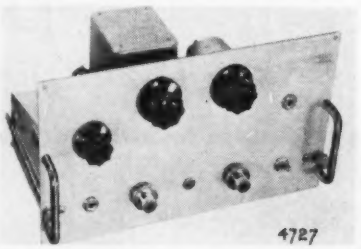
Log-audio Preamplifier

New "Model 150-1400" log-audio preamplifier, used with a basic "150" oscillographic recording assembly, per-



mits recording in either linear or decibel values, with a basic sensitivity of 1 db/mm. deflection, a selection of d-c. input signals or audio (20 to 20,000 cps) input signals.—*Sanborn Co., Industrial Div.*, 195 *Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, Mass.*

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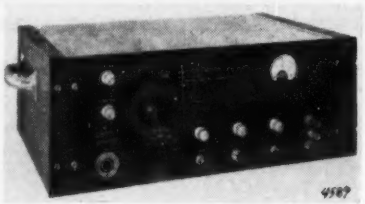
D-c. Amplifier

New "Model D-1" direct-coupled amplifier has gain of 80,000; frequency response is flat from zero to more than 100 kc at gain settings up to 10,000. High input impedance enables



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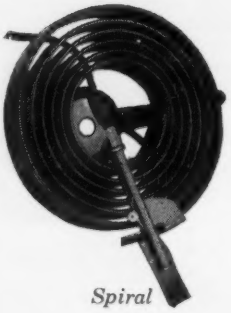

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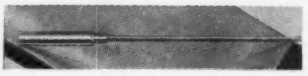

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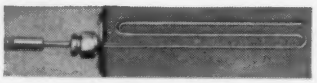

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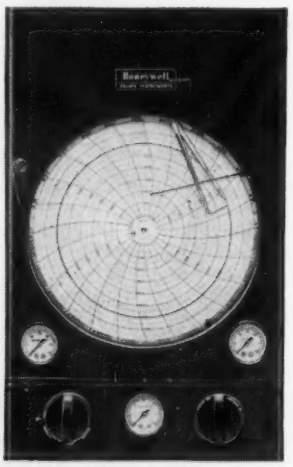

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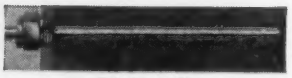

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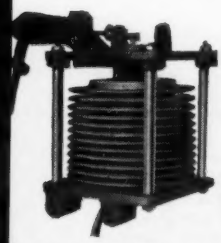

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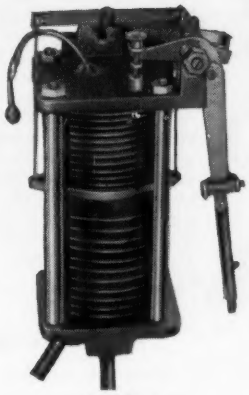

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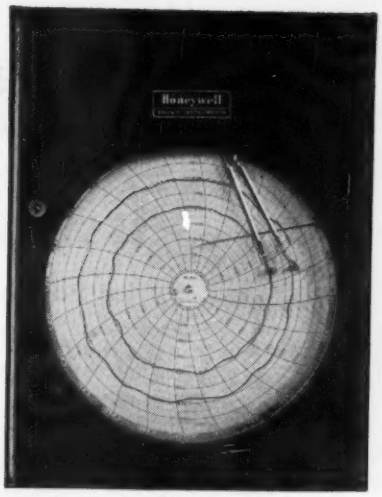

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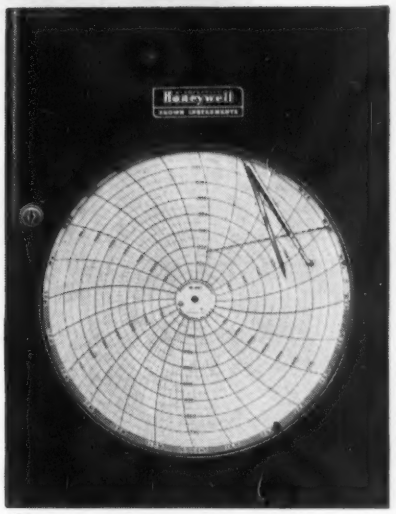

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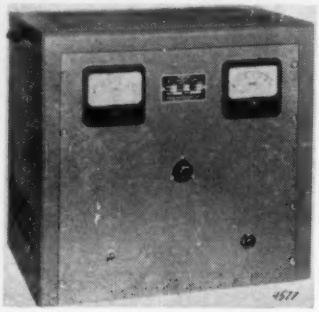
D-c. Power Supply

New "Model G125-25" is 125-volt 25-ampere germanium-rectifier d-c power supply. Inherent regulation is



4 percent from no load to full load. —*Perkin Engineering Corp.*, 345 *Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.*

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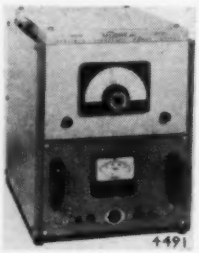
Variable-frequency Supply



New "VFS-250" is a self-contained source of 45 to 2000 cps. a.c. with available output up to 300 va. Flexibility of voltage, frequency and power output make this frequency changer suitable for (1) testing; (2) powering choppers, vibrators, etc.; (3) controlling synchronous motors and processing equipment.—*Vectron, Inc.*, 400-20 *Main St., Waltham* 54, *Mass.*

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Dual Power Supply

New "Model D3-300D" power supply provides two high-voltage output ranges, each independent of the other —on one compact chassis. Delivers 0-300 v dc at 300 ma max. load and 0-300 v dc at 150 ma also variable bias 0-150 volts at 5 ma (regulated by VR tube), and 0-10 v ac, unregulated, at 10 amps, variable with "Powerstat" control. Regulation: for line voltage change of 10 percent, output voltage change is 0.15 percent for regulated high voltage. Both positive or negative of either high-voltage outputs may be grounded.—*Dressen-Barnes Corp.*, 250 *N. Vindeo Ave., Pasadena* 8, *Calif.*

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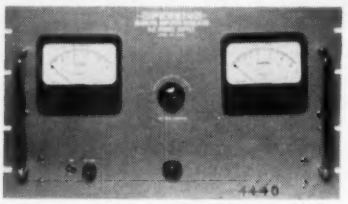
Mag-amp.-reg. Supply

New 6-v. 5-amp. tubeless magnetic amplifier regulated power supply has a d-c. output of 6 v. plus or minus 10



percent continuously and is magnetic amplifier regulated to 1 percent for a-c. line input changes of 95-130 v. as well as for d-c. load changes from 10 percent to full load. Response time 0.2 sec. maximum; ripple 1 percent.—*Perkin Engineering Corp.*, 345 *Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.*

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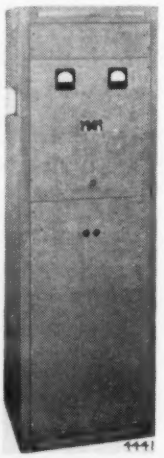

25-kw. Tubeless Rectifier

New type of 25-kw-rectifier power supply unit rated at 230 v.dc. output when operated from a 230-v. 3-phase 60-cps. a-c. input, has 15 percent inherent voltage regulation and 5 percent maximum ripple.—*Perkin Engineering Corp.*, 345 *Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.*

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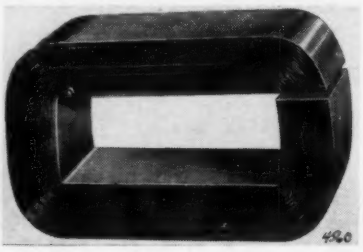
New "Hyflux" one-piece wound core is said to be first of its type on market. Instead of vacuum impregnating the core with a plastic and cutting it into two pieces, sides of these cores



are varnished and only one cut is made on corner. Advantages: (1) one gap improves performance, (2) less loss of electrical properties after vacuum impregnating with a plastic, (3) low price; (4) from 20 to 30 percent more efficient than sheared or punched cores. All cores are magnetically tested at three flux densities—10,000, 15,000, and 17,000 gauss. —*Indiana Steel Products Co., Valparaiso, Ind.*

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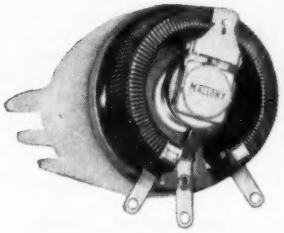

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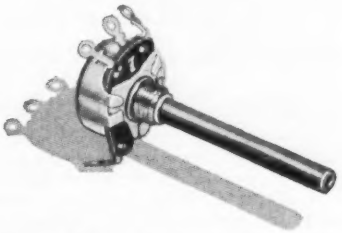

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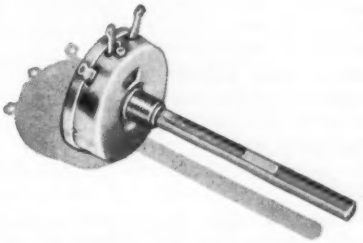

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New "Vac-u-Sel" line includes rectifier cells with a peak inverse rating of 63 volts, cells which will operate up to 130 C. ambient temperature, and cells with a life expectancy of 60,000 hours. It comprises 26-v. low-temperature cells, 26-v. high-temperature cells, and 45-v. high-temperature cells; all three produced by vacuum evaporation process permitting greatest control over contaminants affecting quality of finished rectifiers.—*Rectifier Dep't, General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y.*

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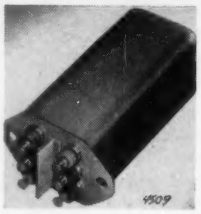

New "Model 307 Chopper" is able to modulate dc to frequencies up to 400 cps, for minimum life period of 3000 hours. Has no moving parts. Modulation is accomplished by illumination of photoconductive element in typical voltage divider.—*Avion Instrument Corp., 299 State Highway No. 17, Paramus, N. J.*

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Precision Voltage Divider

New "L10S" miniature 10-turn voltage divider features linearity of 0.05 percent standard and 0.025 percent as a special tolerance where required.—*Technology Instrument Corp., 531 Main St., Acton, Mass.*

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Non-linear VDRs

New "Series V Helipot" voltage-dividing resistors are engineered especially to meet non-linear requirements. As many as 25 can be ganged on a common shaft during manufacture, while 13 tap connections can be added to each pot by using maker's exclusive process. Size: 1¾-in. diam. by 0.8-in. long, with ¼-in. shaft; external clamps for rapid phasing even after installation. Operating range −55 C. to 90 C. Power rating above 5 watts at 25 C., above 4 watts at 40 C., 2.5 watts as high as 60 C. Resistances up to 130,000 ohms. Mechanical rotation 360 deg. continuous; maximum electrical contact angle 345 deg.; effective electrical rotation 325 deg.—*Helipot Corp., 916 Meridian Ave., South Pasadena, Calif.*

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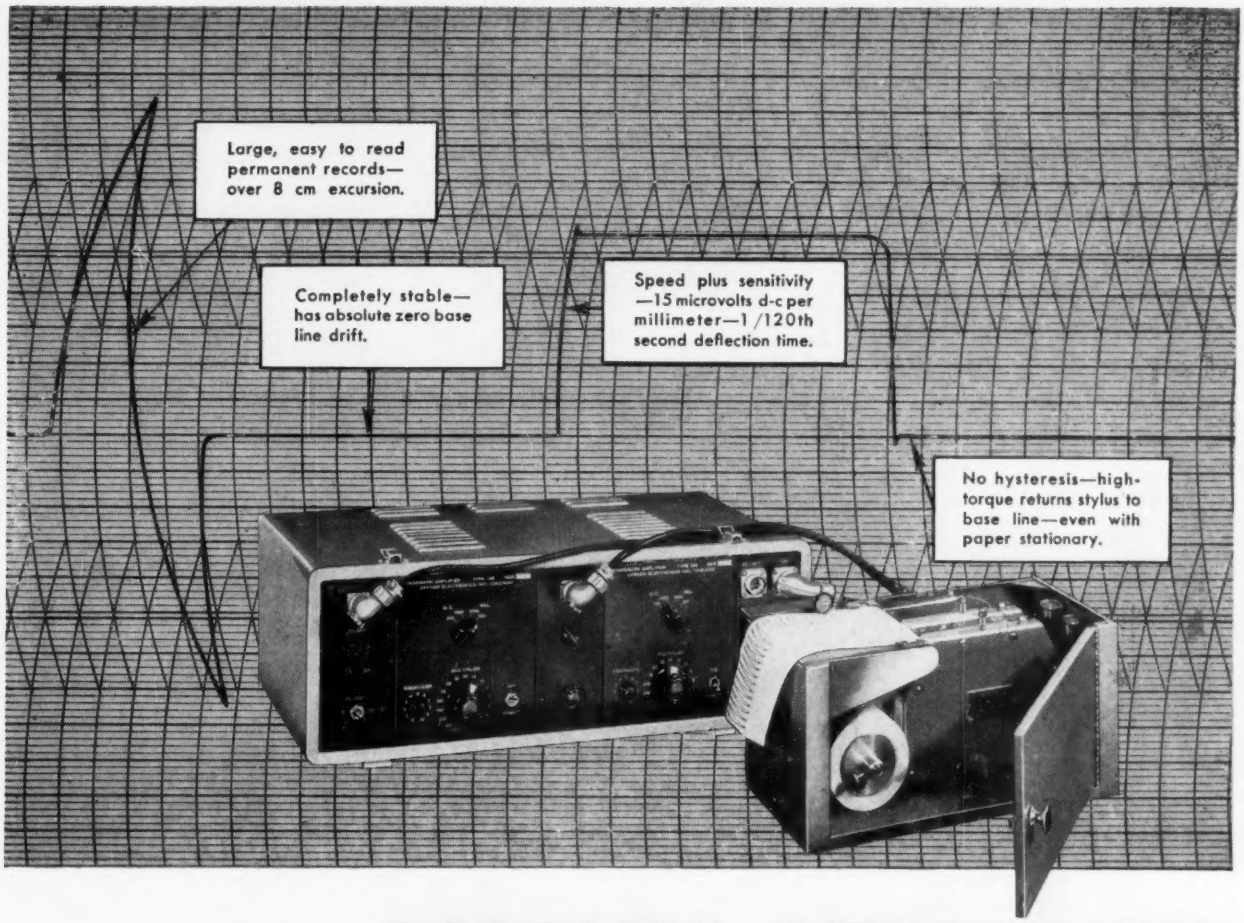
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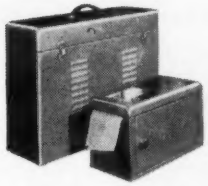

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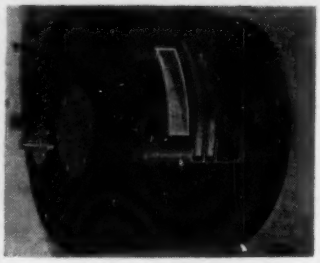

from the same shaft, with individual output proportional to the cosine of shaft rotation. Is available with resistance values as high as 200,000 ohms.—*Gyromechanisms, Inc., Halesite, L. I., N. Y.*

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Pulse Transformer

New "H75-11" two-winding epoxy-resin-impregnated and hermetically-sealed 75-usec. pulse transformer has a risetime of 2 usec.; meets MIL-T-27. Operating temperature range is from —70 C. to 135 C. Size: ⅞ x ⅞ x 1⅛ in. exclusive of terminals and mounting flange.—*The Gudeman Co. of California, Inc., 9200 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif.*

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Variable Delay Line

New "Type 605" comprises 60 sections of *LC m*-derived networks and one 60-position rotary switch. Accuracy of time delay can be as high as

0.5 percent at any point. Five different types available, with maximum time delays from 0.6 to 12 usec.—*Advance Electronics Co., Inc., 451 Highland Ave., Passaic, N. J.*

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Aircraft Inverter

New "Model SE-16-2" aircraft inverter has a rating output of 250 va., 3-phase or single phase, at altitudes up to 50,000 feet and a half-load rating up to 65,000 feet. Is self-cooled, but readily adaptable to blast cooling.—*Leland Electric Co., Div. of American Machine & Foundry Co., Dayton 1, Ohio.*

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Compensated Resolver

New compensated resolver is first of size 11. (Size 23 and 15 resolvers have long been available.) In this size,

frame diameter measures 1.062 in. Resolver can be supplied with Mark 4 Mod 0 electrical characteristics, features temperature stabilization and closed-loop path. Immediate deliveries.—*American Electronic Mfg. Co., Culver City, Calif.*

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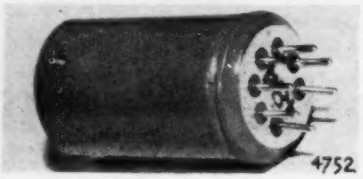
Long-life Chopper

New "Type 300" miniature 6.3-v. 400 cps. mechanical modulator is rated for 2,000-hr. life. Contacts are s-p.d-t., 1 ma. for signals from 0.1 mv. to 100 v. Unit operates in ambient temperatures from –65 C. to 100 C., is hermetically sealed for humid atmospheres and altitudes to 50,000 ft., withstands 100-*G* shocks.—*Airpax Products Co., Middle River, Baltimore 20, Md.*



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Magnetic Clutch

New "Model T508" is a precision electromechanical component designed for servo system applications requiring the possibility of engagement or disengagement of either one or both output shafts from a single input shaft. Functions of shafts may be reversed so that outputs can be used as inputs. Mounting is identical to MK 8 Mod O servo motor.—*Sterling Precision Instrument Corp., Instrument Div., 34-17 Lawrence St., Flushing 54, N. Y.*

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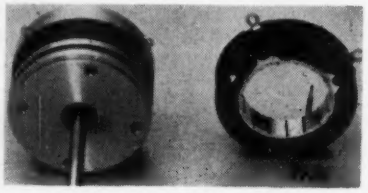
Commutator-Generator

New "Precision Commutator and Impulse Generator," for high-speed switching, counting, pulse gating, etc., comprises a series of conducting segments insulated from one another and



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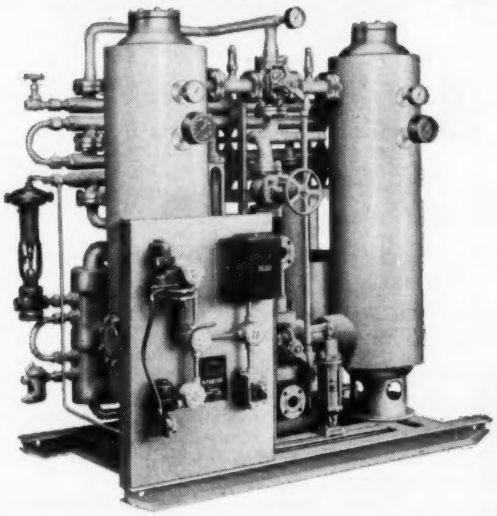

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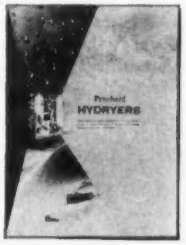

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interconnected to form a wide variety of coded commutation or pulse sequences. Speeds up to 1000 rpm.; life in excess of one million revolutions.—*Computer Instruments Corp.*, 1964 *Utica Ave., Brooklyn* 34, *N. Y.*

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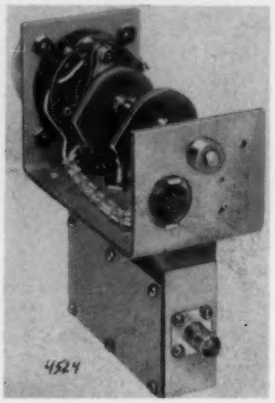
Remote-control Attenuator

New "Series 544" unit is a new remote-control adaptation of standard R-F attenuator, is cam-operated and solenoid-driven. Features include a special arm which permits remote



selection of several cam-operated positions on the attenuator. Is flat from dc to 225 megacycles, and maintains a resistance accuracy to ± 2 percent. Power rating is 0.25 watt. Operates on 115 v dc.—*Daven Co.*, 191 *Central Ave., Newark, N. J.*

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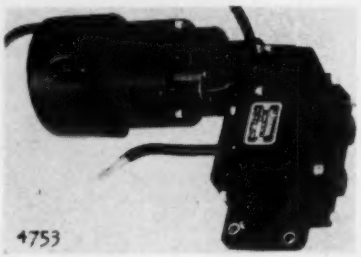
Power Unit

New "Model 474" bidirectional 2-speed gear-driven drive unit is instantly reversible without reversal of



motor armature; develops output torque of 44 lb.-in.; employs two hysteresis type magnetic clutches for torque independent of speed.—*American Electric Motors Inc.*, 4811 *Telegraph Rd., Los Angeles* 22, *Calif.*

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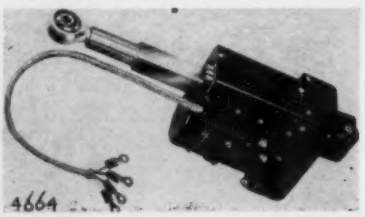
Power Unit

New "Type ACT-3090 Linear Actuator" weighs 1.4 lb., said to be 25 percent less than actuators of comparable



performance. All major dimensions are also reduced by 25 percent. Rate may be changed from 1.6 to 30 in./min. in convenient steps. Maximum end play is less than 0.0018 in., owing to an Acme screw held to "much closer tolerances than specified by any standards known today."—*John Oster Mfg. Co., Avionic Div.*, 1 *Main St., Racine, Wis.*

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Reversible Motor

New instantly-reversible 1725-rpm. fractional-horsepower motor especially designed for use on door operators, machine tools, cranes and hoists has a five-stud terminal board with reversing connection diagram on inside of terminal box cover for quick installation. Sizes ¼, ⅓, ½ and ¾ hp.; 115 or 230 v. ac.,—*General Electric Co., Schenectady* 5, *N. Y.*

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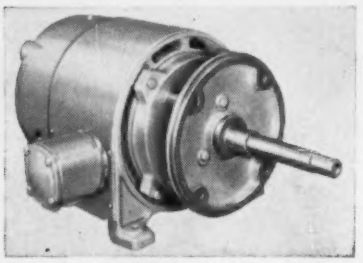
Pump Motors

New 1½ to 25 hp. totally-enclosed and explosion-proof close-coupled pump motors are for use with cen-



trifugal pumps operating in dangerous, damp or dusty locations.—*U. S. Electrical Motors, Inc., Box* 2058 *Terminal Annex, Los Angeles* 54, *Calif.*

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Miniature Toggle Switch

New "Model A3-8" features new patented spring mechanism for smooth operation and positive snap-action in either direction. Spring mechanism is made of berylium copper. Two miniature basic switches, encased in actuator, provide a double-pole, double-throw circuit arrangement.—*Electro-Snap Switch & Mfg. Co.*, 4218-20 *W. Lake St., Chicago* 24, *Ill.*

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Custom Stack Switches

New stack switch assemblies consisting of a pile-up of various springs, insulators, etc., are available in innumerable different arrangements. All assemblies made to individual requirements. Among items varied to meet customer needs are: spring length, thickness and material; spacers; contacts; tubing; lifters or pushers; leaf indicators; brackets; cam followers (two roller bracket designs, nickel-plated brass and other materials of various diameters); mounting hardware.—*Switchcraft, Inc.*, 1328 *N. Halsted St., Chicago* 22, *Ill.*

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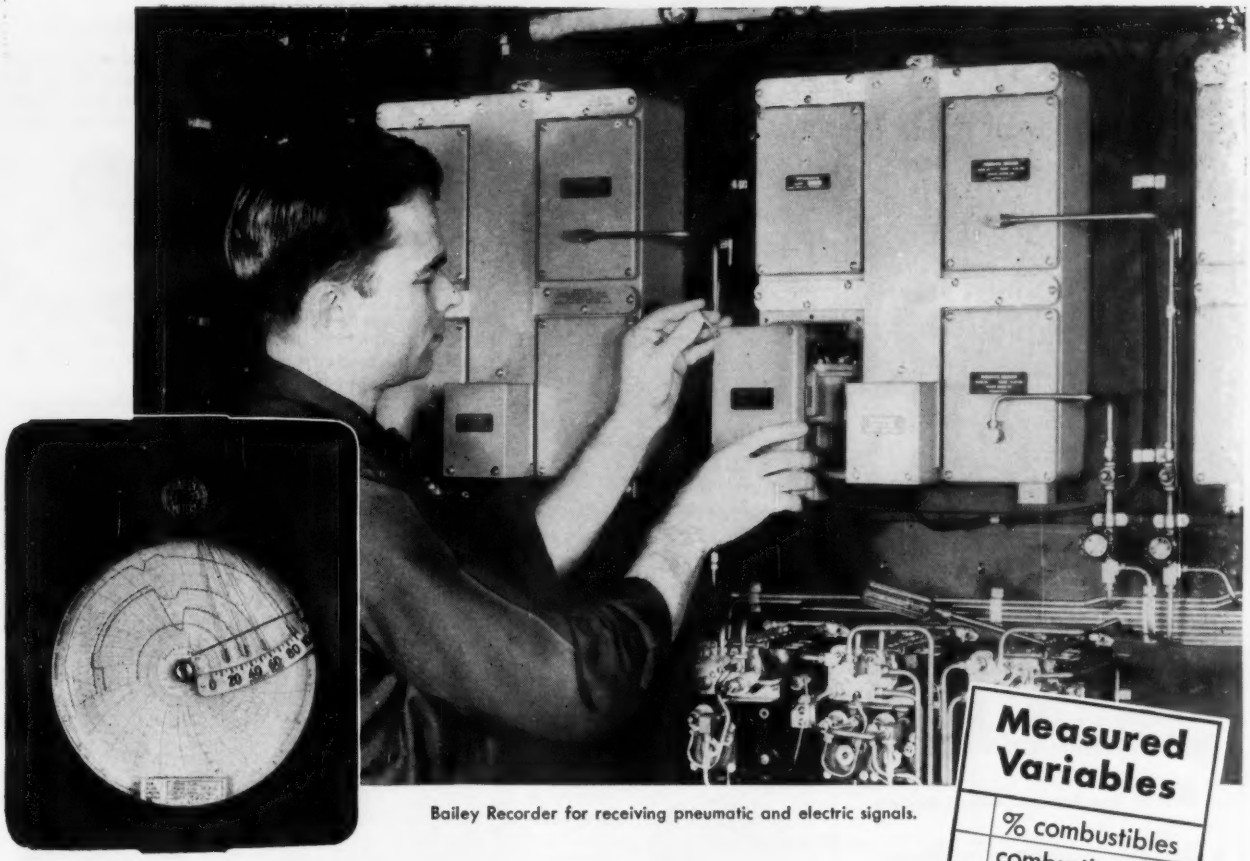
Arm-actuated Switch

New "Rotary Actuator," claimed to be "the first of its kind on the market," features roller actuator arm with op-



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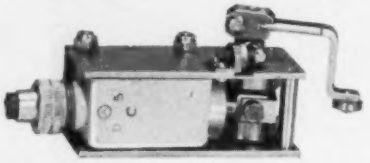
tional settings throughout 360 degrees and operating travel of 90 degrees; also basic switch using same type of



sealing principle as larger aircraft models. Actuating force of 20 lbs. assures positive operation and "breakthrough" of any ice formations on switch.—*Electro-Snap Switch & Mfg. Co.*, 4218 *W. Lake St., Chicago* 24, *Ill.*

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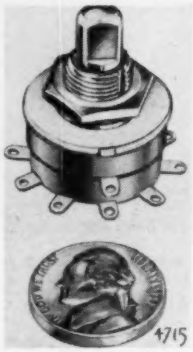
Single-deck Switch

New "24YY2100" single-deck switch incorporating positive detent has been added to "Series 24" miniature tap switches; features reduction of back-of-panel depth of single deck to 0.562 in. and over-all diam. across terminals of 1.032 in. Rated to break 1 amp. 115 v.ac., it will carry 5 amps. if not required to make or break circuit. Maximum of ten positions available.—*Grayhill*, 561 *Hillgrove Ave., La Grange, Illinois.*



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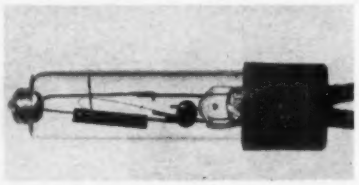
Mercury Switch

New hermetically-sealed magnetically-actuated mercury switch features improved mechanical stability. Armature and movable contacts are supported by conductive bearing; spring is used for return only. No



leads to flex; no organic components. Contacts are moved magnetically in or out of mercury up to 60 times/sec. Rating 0.5 amp. 115 v.ac. or 0.25 amp. dc.—*Hamlin, Inc.*, 1316 *Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill.*

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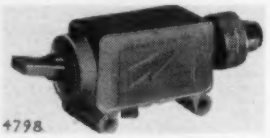
Ice-proof Switch

New design of hermetically-sealed aircraft switch features ability to reset even when coated with ice. Available actuators include roller, leaf,



cam and many others. Rating: 10 amps. for 125/250 v.a.c, 28 v.d.c, inductive and 28 v.d.c, resistive.—*Electro-Snap Switch & Mfg. Co.*, 4218 *W. Lake St., Chicago* 24, *Ill.*

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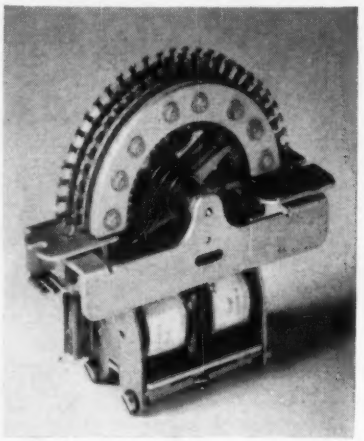
Stepping Selector Switch

New two-way stepping selector, designed for control and indication circuits, operates in either direction at



a speed of approximately 65 steps per second on self-interruption, and at speeds up to 20 steps per second from external impulses.—*Imtra Corp.*, 58 *Charles St., Cambridge, Mass.*

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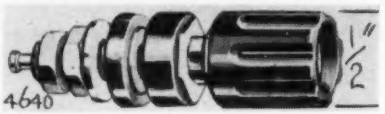
Binding Post

New "Series 29 Multi-Purpose Binding Post" can be mounted on ¾ in. centers, or less if desired; on panels



up to 3/16 in. thick. Metal parts are brass, cadmium-plated to withstand 50-hr. minimum salt spray exposure. —*Grayhill*, 561 *Hillgrove Ave., La-Grange, Illinois.*

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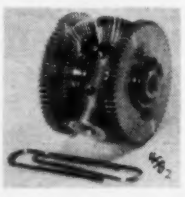
Differential



New miniature differential gear unit (for use as a computing element) is of hollow-shaft type. Models are available for either ⅛- or 3/16-inch shaft. Backlash is less than 7 minutes; backlash of 3 minutes is available on special order. Breakaway torque is less than 0.01 oz.-in.—*Reeves Instrument Corp.*, 215 *E. 91st St., New York* 28, *N. Y.*

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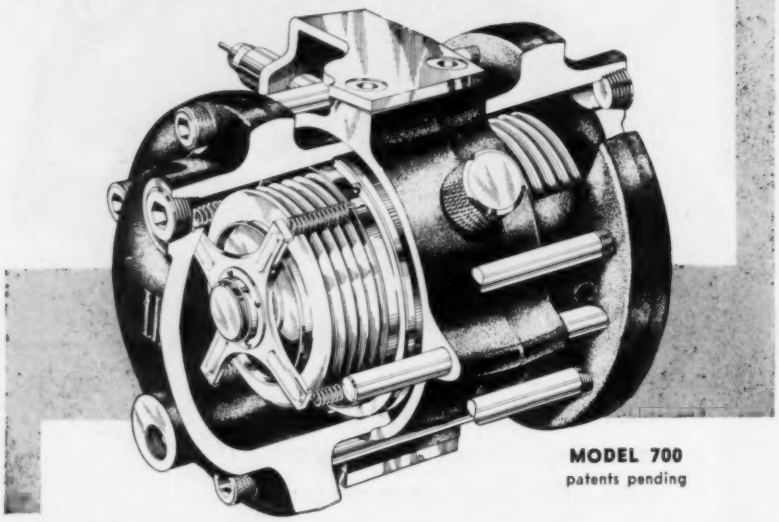

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Hollow Shaft Differential

New "Model T700" is a precise differential for high-speed rotation, minimum backlash, and low break-away torque. Shaft lock provides for easy removal of the differential from a gear train without disassembly of end plates.—*Sterling Precision Instrument Corp., Instrument Div.*, 34-17 *Lawrence St., Flushing* 54, *N. Y.*

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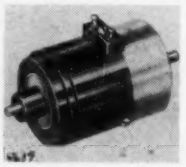
Clutch



New miniature clutches or clutch brakes operate on principle of electro-magnetic actuation of a friction plate to provide virtually instantaneous starts and stops. Response speed is in milliseconds (depends on application). Energizing coil engages clutch and provides instantaneous power pickup. When coil is de-energized, clutch is disengaged and braking action occurs.—*Globe Industries, Inc.*, 1784 *Stanley Ave., Dayton* 4, *Ohio.*

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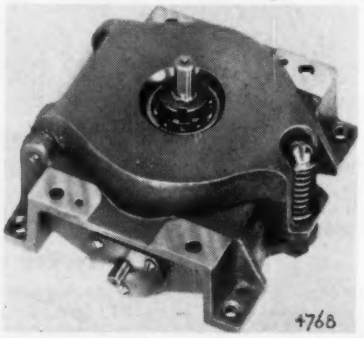
Mechanical Integrator

New "Ball and Disc Integrator" originally designed for use in computers and gunfire control systems in



solution of differential equations, is well adapted for use in high-performance closed-loop servo systems; is also an accurate variable-speed drive. Total ball carriage travel 2 in. Integrator error (in percent of total local value) is less than 0.1 percent over most of ball carriage range under typical disc-speed and output-torque conditions.—*Instrument Components Div., Belock Instrument Corp.*, 14-34 112*th St., College Point, N. Y.*

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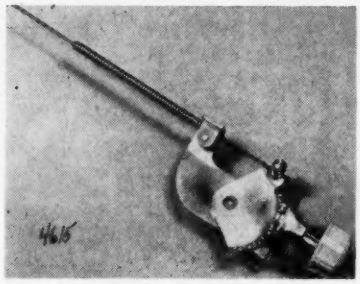
Flexible Shaft Control

New sector gear and pinion device, together with wire-type flexible control produces 1½-inch of linear push-



pull motion by turning the knob 270 degrees.—*Arens Controls, Inc., 2017 Greenleaf St., Evanston, Ill.*

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VALVES

Solenoid Valve

New "Bulletin 8030A" direct-lift solenoid-operated packless valve, designed for low-pressure application (to 7 psi.) is available in ⅜-in. and ½-in. pipe sizes; is said to be ideally suited for low-pressure air and gas control on gas-fired ovens and furnaces, etc.; is normally closed; requires 10 watts to operate.—*Automatic Switch Co., Orange, N. J.*

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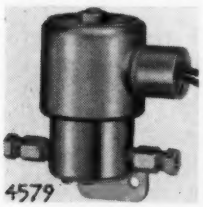
Noiseless Solenoid Valve



New electro-pneumatic switch features quiet operation. When energized, it passes full air at supply pressures up to 25 psi. When de-energized, supply port is stopped and return line pressure is vented to atmosphere. Manual adjustment permits valve opening when coil is de-energized. Coils can be supplied for 115, 208, 230, or 440 v.ac.—*Dep't IAP, The Powers Regulator Co., Skokie, Ill.*

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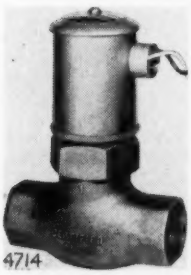
Solenoid Valves



New "Type K" piston-pilot solenoid valves feature all-stainless-steel construction of parts in contact with media; "Velvetrol" cushioned closing; full port openings; operation over a wide pressure range. Standard equipment includes Teflon renewable discs and Guidon pilot valve seats which

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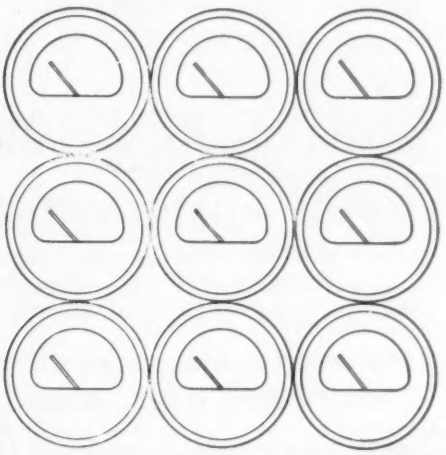

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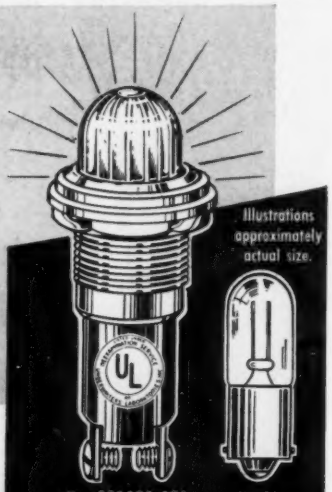

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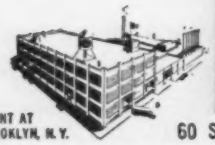

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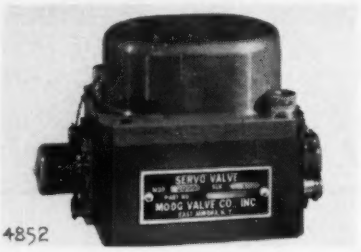
Solenoid Valves for SMs

New "dry-solenoid" valves are proportional-type electrically-commanded four-way valves for 1000 to 3000 psi., featuring isolation of torque motor from hydraulic fluid, so that entrained



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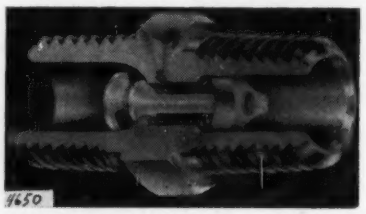

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Reducing Valves

New "No. 700" reducing valve is now available in sizes from ½ through 4 in. for initial pressures up to 300 psi, and for delivery pressures from 10 to 75 psi. Offers silent, dead end service, and is especially suitable for supplying low or medium water pressure to buildings from high-pressure city water mains. Features: large flow passages, rugged construction, constant pressure over a wide range of capacity.—*Klipfel Valves, Inc., Hamilton, Ohio.*

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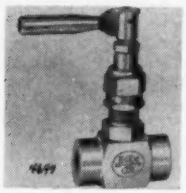
Toggle Valves

New series of quick-acting bar-stock toggle vaives, in sizes from ⅛ to ½ inch and with operating pressures up to 1000 psi., feature hardened steel cams to provide a valve-seat closing action tight enough for high-vacuum service. Adjustable cap nut allows for tight seating closure when operating lever is at right angles to stem. Another adjustment permits lever to travel in any desired plan parallel with stem. Direct panel mounting is possible without modification.—*Hoke, Inc.*, 231 *S. Dean St., Englewood, N. J.*



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210-channel Recorder

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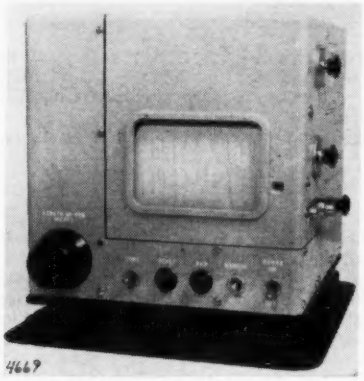

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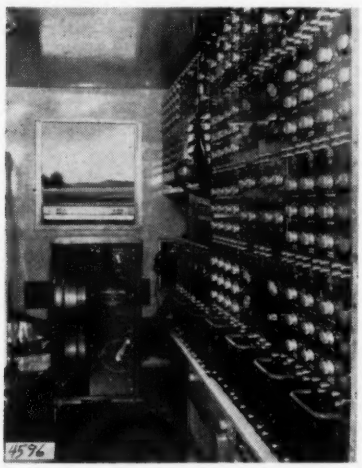

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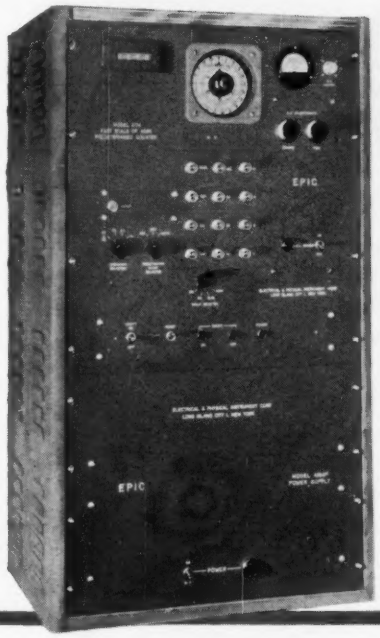

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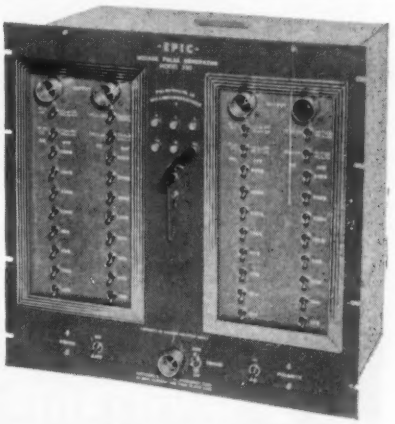

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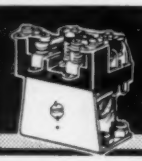

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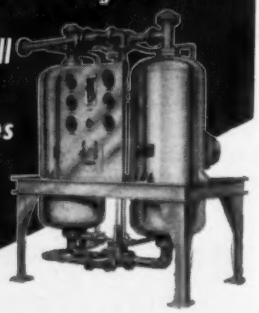

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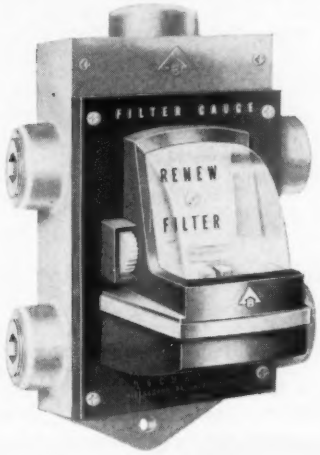

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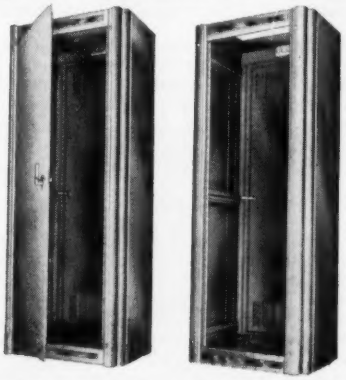

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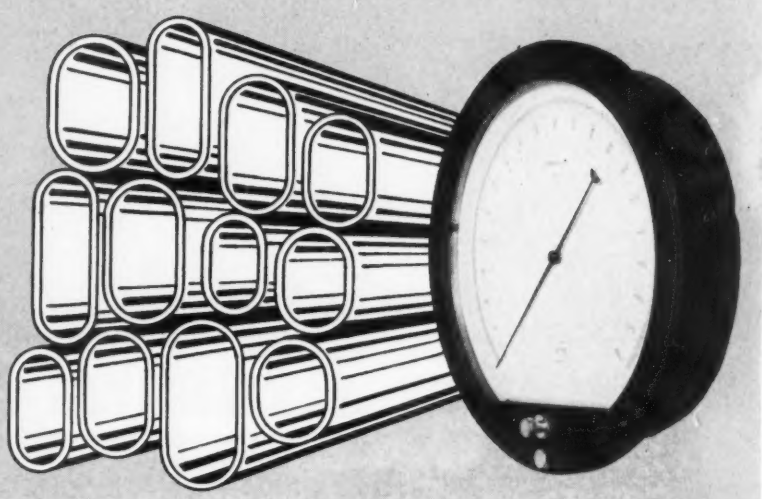

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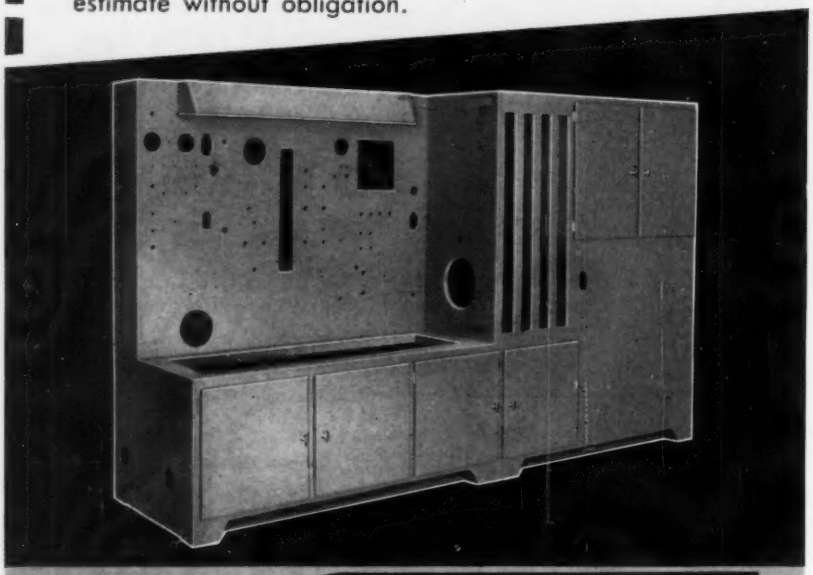

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New microscope stand on which maker's closed-circuit television camera is mounted vertically permits microscope image to be presented on a large TV screen for a large group of students or industrial observers; minimizing eye fatigue; maximizing efficiency of production operations in which a large number of miniature precision parts are being examined continually.—*Kay Lab, 5727 Kearny Villa Rd., San Diego, Calif.*

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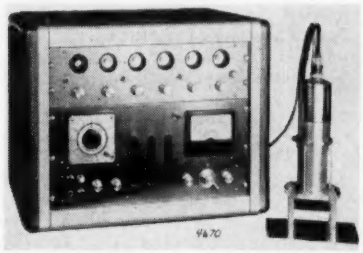

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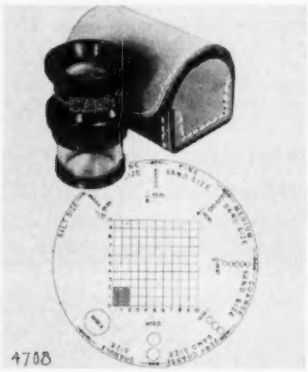

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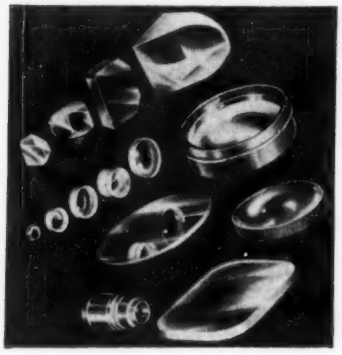

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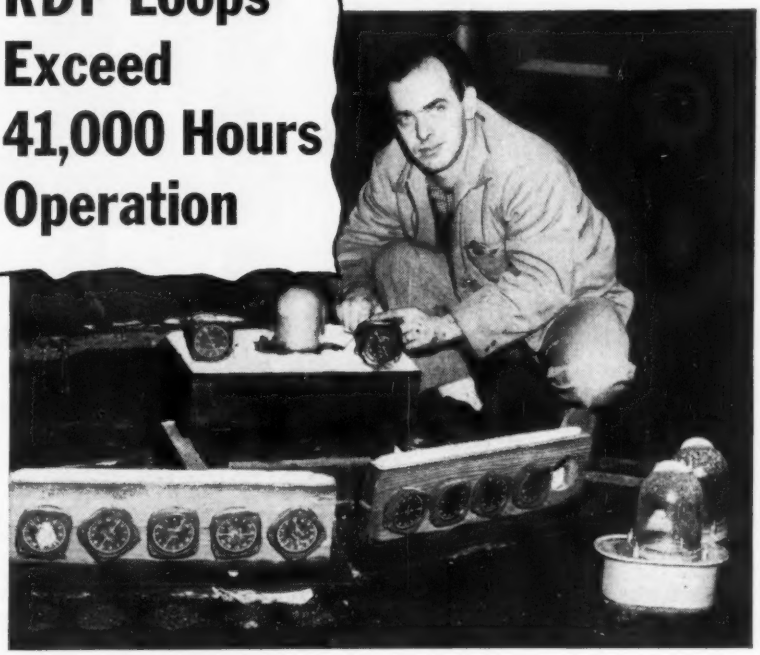

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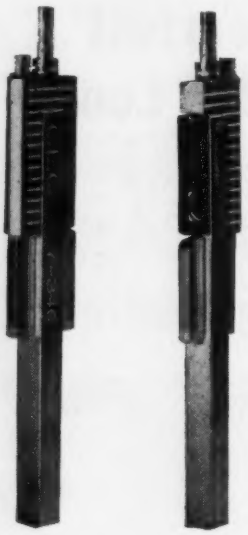

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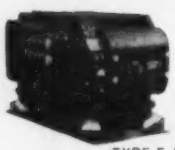
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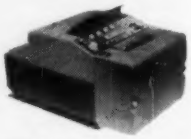
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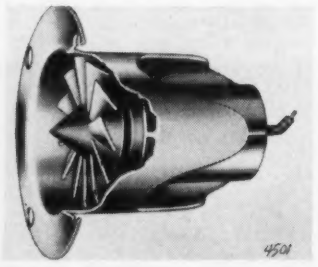

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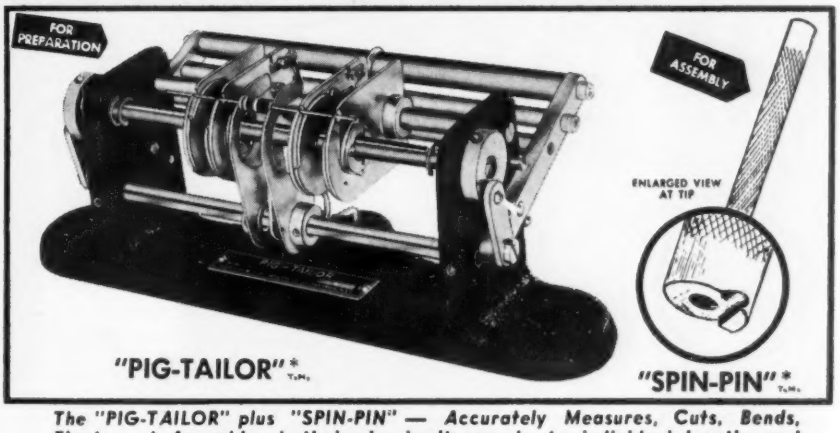

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All Questions are based on editorial matter in this issue.

Question 1

In the Univac Scientific Computer the basic magnetic-tape handler is the

(a) Unityper
(b) Uniservo
(c) Univac
(d) Uniprinter

Question 2

In the Univac Scientific Computer of Remington Rand, the artithmetic operations are performed in the

(a) X Register and magnetic drum
(b) Q Register and Accumulator
(c) Magnetic-core Memory
(d) Uniservos

Question 3

In the Univac Scientific Computer the term Radix Conversion refers to

(a) converting a vector product to a scalar product
(b) converting decimal to binary numbers, or vice versa
(c) computing a function by linear smoothing
(d) all the above

Question 4

The equation for a closed-loop controlled system is a differential equation whose order depends on the number of capacities in the system. Each capacity raises the order of the equation by

(a) 0
(b) 1
(c) 2
(d) 3

Question 5

The coefficients in the differential equation for a closed-loop controlled system containing resistance and capacitance (lag) terms are

(a) R terms only
(b) RC terms only
(c) RC and R terms only
(d) RC, R, and C terms only

Question 6

A fractionating column requires a relief valve because

(a) overhead vapor line might be blocked
(b) reflux might be lost
(c) pressure control instruments might fail
(d) all the above might happen

Question 7

Heat exchangers require relief valves on the cold-liquid side only

(a) when cold lines might be blocked
(b) if hot lines are unprotected
(c) if hot lines are protected
(d) when connected to other units

Question 8

Turbines and pumps require relief valves on exhaust side because

(a) pressure is higher at exhaust than at inlet
(b) of possibility of blocked outlet lines
(c) of possibility of blocked inlet lines
(d) all the above might be true

Question 9

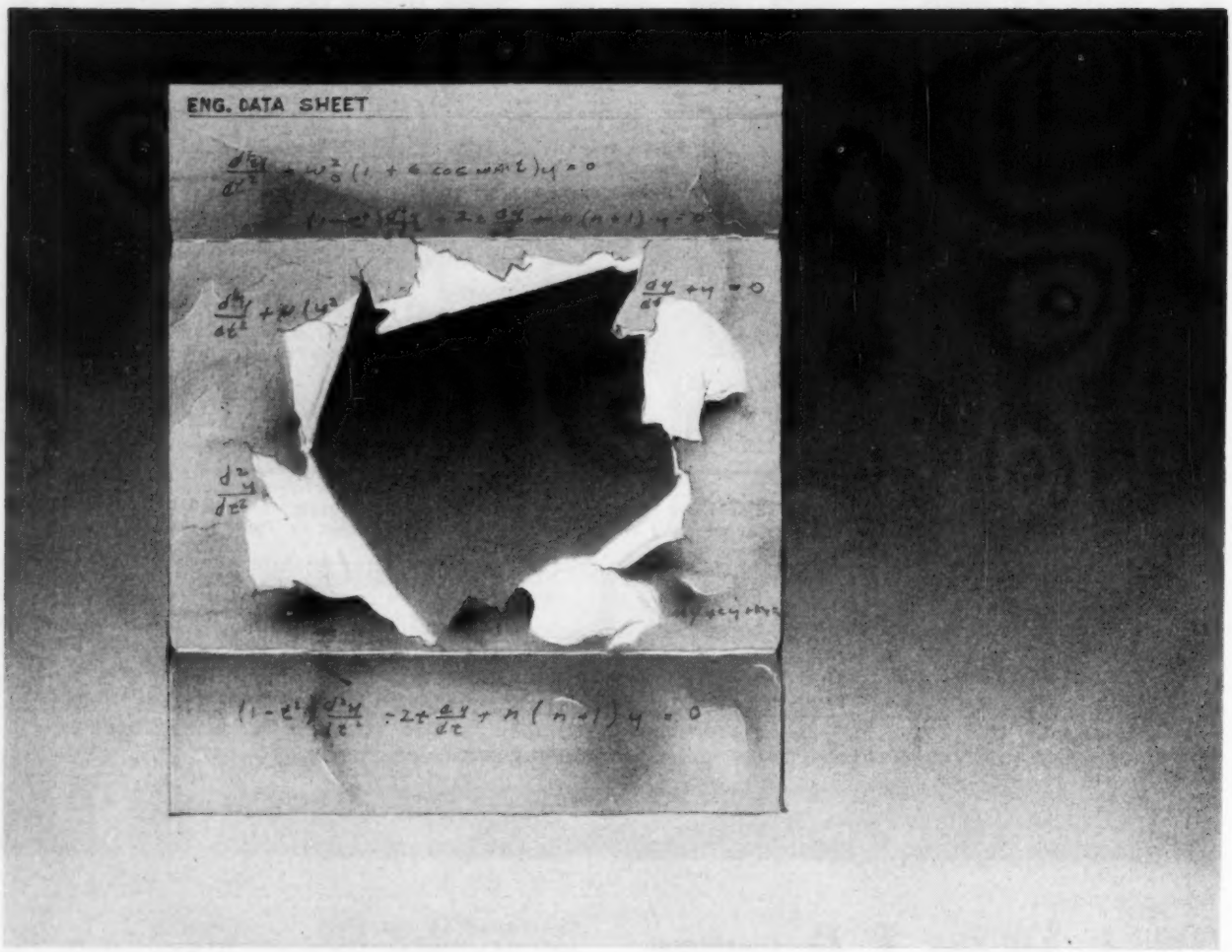
Air preheat in a soaking-pit installation is desirable because of

(a) 30-percent increase in production for all types and grades of steel
(b) decreased installation costs
(c) decreased fuel consumption
(d) all the above

Question 10

Total power generating capacity of the United States in 1955 is about

(a) 1 million kw.
(b) 10 million kw.
(c) 100 million kw.
(d) 1 billion kw.



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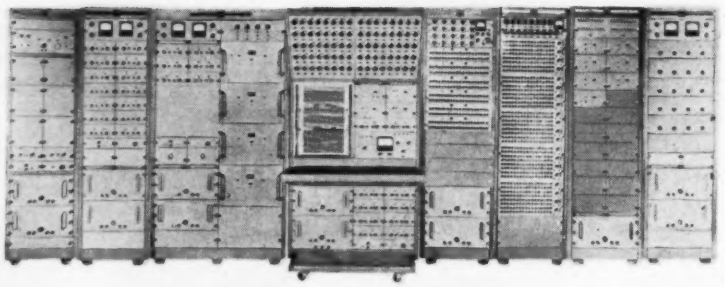

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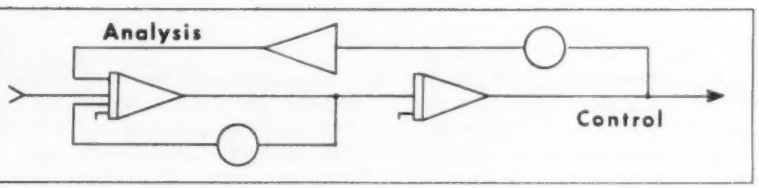

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Bits

This month the feature of the *Newsletter* is Ro Favreau's story of the Eastern Simulation Council meeting at RCA-Princeton. The problem discussed, "Patch Panels and Programming of Analog Computers," is one which confronts all of us who operate analog computers, particularly in the larger installations. There are many solutions, none of them completely satisfactory. Ro's writeup tells how Electronic Associates, Beckman, DACL (MIT), Goodyear, Mid-Century, RCA, and Reeves have attempted to solve their own particular setup problems.

Pieces

EASTERN SIMULATION COUNCIL MEETING

(of 25 March 1955)

by R. R. Favreau

"Patch Panels and Programming of Analog Computers" was the topic for discussion at the last bi-monthly meeting of the Eastern Simulation Council. Host for this meeting, which took place the afternoon of Friday, 25 March, was the David Sarnoff Research Center, RCA Laboratories, in Princeton, New Jersey. Dr. Harold Skramstad (National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C.) opened the discussion by asking representatives of various manufacturers to give a brief talk presenting the philosophy and approach to the subject which their company used.

Hamer on EA Equipment

Howard Hamer spoke for Electronic Associates, Inc. (Long Branch, New Jersey), stating that the main factors which guided EA's design of its analog equipment were (1) accuracy, (2) convenience and simplicity of operation, and (3) flexibility.

To maintain accuracy, temperature control and the best available components are used. Computing elements are placed directly behind the patching system so that leads may be kept short. In addition, shielded leads are used to minimize cross-coupling between their amplifiers, which have a wide bandwidth.

A metal patch panel is used to ground the outside conductor of the shielded leads appropriately to force all leakages to ground and to give strength and rigidity.

For convenience and simplicity, it was felt that central control was highly important. Therefore the control of many of the auxiliary racks (amplifiers, multipliers, etc.) was placed directly adjacent to the patch board.

For flexibility, all computing components were grouped into plug-in units which could be located at any position. By this method, setting up or changing a particular system or adding equipment was simplified.

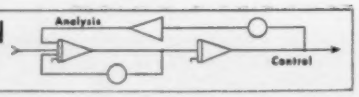
In answer to questions, Howard told Bernie Loveman (Reeves Instrument Corp., 215 E. 91st St., New York 28, N. Y.) that the temperature gradient in the oven is 1 deg. F, maximum; C. Single (Berkeley Scientific Division of Beckman Instruments, 2200 Wright Ave., Richmond, Calif.) that this is achieved by circulating the air within the oven; Louis Bauer (Reeves Instrument Corp.) that the oven runs continuously; C. Murphy (Ballistic Research Laboratories, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.) that they have long wires because of using the central control console; and Charlie Morrill (Goodyear Aircraft Corp., Akron 15, Ohio) that 100 deg. F was chosen to be above room temperature and to keep humidity down.

Asked about problems of summing-point capacitance, Howard said that elements such as amplifiers and integrators have been designed to take this into account.

In answer to further questions he told J. Mester (Ballistic Research Laboratories) that it takes somewhat more than an hour to bring all elements up to oven temperature; and Gunther Martin (Schlumberger Instrument Co., Old Quarry Road, Ridgefield, Conn.) that they use a double ground system, one for power and the other for the signal, and that these grounds are tied together at one point. Howard indicated that the exact point is somewhat of a trade secret, and that it must be considered for each individual computer system.

Bauer on "REAC 400"

The Reeves philosophy of patching and programming was presented by



Dr. Louis Bauer, Head of Project Cyclone. Bauer stated that the new Reeves computer uses a standard patch bay manufactured by Remington-Rand because it is inexpensive and spacing of holes is convenient. However, if all holes were used, the patch cords would be too close together, so they place a mask over the patch panel, leaving visible only those holes which are needed. The resulting pattern allows one to learn the computer by heart in a short time.

To prevent leakage they silkscreen a conducting grid across the entire patch bay and then ground it. One advantage is that when patching while the computer is in operation you cannot accidently short hot leads to ground, as with a metal patch bay.

Another objective of their design philosophy was to make the problem setup foolproof. Therefore all switching has been arranged on the patch bay. Initial-condition potentiometers associated with individual integrators, and ± 100-volt switches associated with potentiometers, have been eliminated. Pots are now patched into the IC terminal of an integrator. The integrating amplifiers can be converted to high-gain amplifiers by connecting a patch cord or plug to a 26-volt terminal which is adjacent to a special terminal associated with the integrator. The switching of all other elements such as servos, etc., also is done at the patch bay with patch cords or plugs. This allows not only all the interconnections but also all the switch positions to be removed and stored when the patch bay is taken off. More intricate connections, like associating amplifiers with resolvers to make polar-to-rectangular conversions, can be made by inserting a single bottle* plug.

The patch panel has an interlock switch which removes all voltages from the patch bay. Therefore, plate voltages can be left on and no warm-up time is required when changing panels.

Louis also described a useful item developed at Project Cyclone—a "dummy plug." This element is placed in the position from which a wire may be removed, later to be replaced. A hole in the back provides a place for the removed wire, and because the plug sticks out from the board it acts as a reminder of the change.

*How about the two-bottle men?

Howard Hamer asked, "While your metallic grids eliminate surface leakage problems, do you run into any difficulty with leakage through the insulating material used for the patch board?" Bauer answered that they have run tests with and without the grid, and with other insulating boards such as those developed by Convair, and found that at 90 deg. F and 90-percent relative humidity, all were bad. The main difference appeared to be the temperature and humidity at which leakage became high. Most of the leakage that did occur was surface leakage, so that the metallic grid was effective. Even with the metallic grid grounded, there was still leakage between terminals, which at low temperatures and low relative humidity was approximately 1,000 kilomegohms.*

Harold Skramstad then asked Charlie Morrill to speak for Goodyear Aircraft, but Charlie was "in poor voice," apparently having talked himself out at the IRE Show.

Hovious on GEDA

Mr. R. L. Hovious of Goodyear's Dynamic Systems and Computation Laboratory came to the rescue, stating that there are two fundamental approaches to analog-computer solutions. One is the mathematical approach where you solve differential equations, and the other is a simulation approach, where computer components are grouped to simulate closely the actual physical system.**

Goodyear feels that the simulation approach is superior because of (1) the economical use of amplifiers, (2) more storage on the problem board, (3) the ability to solve certain problems which are impossible or difficult without the flexibility of changing input and output elements, and (4) better insight into the problem. All the variables of interest can be observed, rather than just the end-point variables.

Mr. Hovious then used a brochure, "Patching and Programming of the Goodyear Electronic Differential Analyzer (GEDA)"* to illustrate his main points. To illustrate the economical use of amplifiers he used a transport delay circuit. When set up with potentiometers and standard amplifiers (fixed input and feedback elements), eight potentiometers and six amplifiers were required. However, when the input and feedback elements could be chosen freely, only four amplifiers and no potentiometers were required.

The desirability of decade resistors to choose inputs over a wide range was illustrated by a circuit which had widely separated natural frequencies. The gains required were obtained by using resistors of 20K and 10 Megs in a single amplifier.

Hovious also used the block-diagram approach to show that this technique is helpful in demonstrating what is going on. He concluded by pointing out that the simulation approach is more advantageous to an engineer than a mathematician.**

*Not 1 megamegohm?

**Hear! Hear! You *do not* have to be a mathematician to use analog computers for analysis and/or synthesis (i.e., problem solution) by simulation!

Discussion on Hovious' Remarks

C. Single asked, "Do you have any rough figures on the relative cost of a decade resistor as against the fixed resistor and potentiometer?" Answer: "The decade resistor costs about $12. A potentiometer would cost approximately $9, a dial $6, and labor about $18.

Louis Bauer commented that the key to Mr. Hovious' discussion was that both mathematicians and engineers use this type of equipment and that each group will use the equipment differently. With aircraft equations and missile systems you are dealing with equations of motion and it appears easier to solve the equations since no transfer functions are involved.

Mr. E. Massell (Electronic Associates) asked, "Does thinking in terms of inverse coefficients, where you have to calculate the inverse in order to determine the input resistance, slow you up very much?" Hovious answered that it does not take a new man long to get acquainted with the system, but it does slow you up a bit.

Bernie Loveman, speaking in favor of scale-factor pots, felt that it is easier to change a pot setting than to dive into a bunch of patch cords, measure the inverse, and reset a decade.

Hamer: "What kind of stability do you get on a decade resistor?" An-

*Available, no doubt. Write Charlie Morrill, Goodyear Aircraft Corp., Akron 15, Ohio.

**The ambiguity in this sentence might be deliberate!

swer: We leave it on a bridge for about one minute to be sure of high accuracy.

David Greenberg (David Taylor Model Basin, Washington, D.C.): "What kind of resistors do you use in a decade?" Answer: Film resistors.

Mr. T. Connolly (Electronic Associates) took exception to the inclusion of both economy and better insight into the problem. He stated that quite often they are mutually exclusive. Usually when you use only one amplifier for a complex transfer function, you do not have things like the first and second derivatives easily available.

Hovious disagreed, pointing out that when transfer functions were built up in this manner they were mostly interested in an input and an output and not in various derivatives within the process. However, flexibility and economy often cannot be achieved at the same time, as in an aircraft simulation where an input and output philosophy do not always apply.

Single warned that you must be careful in this type of circuit because when you change one resistor or capacitor, it may change more than one break point (on the frequency characteristic), or may represent a change of more than one element in an actual filter.

Leonard Pode (David Taylor Model Basin) pointed out that this technique can be used with other computers since many of the important points of the amplifier are available. However, it does not seem to be used extensively, possibly because it takes too much time.

Bernie Loveman stated that a system can be set up in block-diagram form on any computer because various parts of the system can be separated even though it has been described by differential equations.

Jim Follin (Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University, Silver Spring, Maryland) explained that at APL they use both systems, choosing the one that appears most advantageous. For example, they use resistors and capacitors for small time-constants, and integrators for large time-constants.

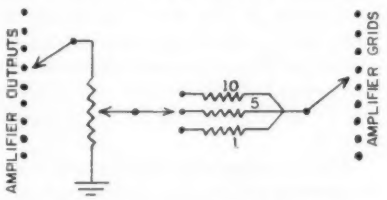
Single on EASE*

Mr. Single, invited to speak for Beckman Instruments, stated that EASE equipment does not now use a metal patch panel, but that it is under consideration. With their plastic panel they achieve an impedance of about 1 meg meg. They do not use shield connections but rely on the low output impedance of amplifiers for minimum interaction.

Tim Sutton (Mid-Century Instrumatic Corp., New York, N.Y.) excused himself from speaking—the IRE Show must certainly be hard on equipment representatives—and asked Len Pode to describe what Mid-Century has done on a computer for the David Taylor Model Basin.

Pode on David-Taylor Mid-Century

Dr. Pode indicated that his main interest was in the efficiency of the men and not of the computer. He wants to get away from a congested patch board and the requirement of tracing leads. To do this they decided to use a switching system which was built around the potentiometers of the computers. The computer finally decided upon has 20 amplifiers and 30 potentiometers. The switching system is best described by this circuit:



There are two sets of 15 switches, each set to 10 of the 20 amplifiers. With this scheme Dr. Pode indicated that they were able to set up many problems by just setting switches and pots.

Single asked what this did to the summing-point capacitance. Pode replied that it reduced the frequency response somewhat, but not significantly.

Mr. Harris (Reeves Instrument Corp.) then spoke up, saying that his original idea of the Simulation Council was that it would be somewhat of a scientific society with most of the details of equipment being left out. He was surprised to see a letter requesting manufacturers to present their philosophies on patching and programming and a brief description of how this was accomplished by their equipment. He was interested in knowing whether this was what the members wanted.

Dr. Skramstad stated that the letters inviting manufacturers' representatives to this and the next meeting had been sent out in order that specific questions on equipment could be discussed which would be of value to many people. There was no intention to let sales people take over.

Mr. Richmond (Glenn L. Martin Co., Baltimore, Md.) felt that this depended very much upon the subject under discussion at each meeting. If the subject considered equipment in detail, certainly manufacturers could aid materially.

Mr. Struther (RCA, Princeton, New Jersey) suggested that techniques be stressed rather than the company's name.*

Dr. Skramstad summed it up by saying the discussions should be kept on a technical level, but it is desirable also to know what is being developed and what is available from the manufacturers.

Hurney on MIT DACL Equipment

Paul Hurney then presented the views of the Dynamic Analysis and Control Laboratory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Their equipment is of two types—AC and DC—and thus differs from the computers described previously. About 15 standard networks which provide integrators, simple lag circuits, limiting networks, etc., can be plugged into boxes associated with each amplifier. The function of the patch board is routing instead of computing. No computing networks are made up at the patch board.

As more than one problem may be on the machine at one time, a separate patching system is used to tie all the amplifier voltage and mechanical servo overload signals on a problem into a central point. An additional patching system is used to control the various electronic or mechanical units (such as integrators or servos) used on a problem.

The DACL computer has many automatic features. During a precomputing period the initial conditions are applied, the recorders started up, calibration marks placed on both Brush recorders and XY plotters, and the overload system erased. When the problem is started, a start pip is introduced on all re-

*Pass possible poignant puns!

* It has always been Simulation Council policy to mention names where they are pertinent, with malice toward none. Reputable manufacturers value the opinion of equipment users. If their product is not held in high esteem by some they of course do not want to advertise it, but if we stick to facts there is nothing they can do but improve their product!

corders. Should an overload occur, an appropriate mark is again made on the recorders. This entire procedure of setting up, running, stopping, and resetting the computer can be programmed either manually or automatically.

Struther on RCA DSS Philosophy

Mr. Struther, asked to describe the approach RCA has used in designing their prototype model for a proposed large-scale Air Force computer, recognized that the most common method of programming used in large-scale simulators is patch-board programming. This has advantages such as unlimited flexibility of interconnection and the ease of connecting external inputs and recording and measuring devices.

The experience of RCA with Typhoon indicated, on the other hand, that some of the disadvantages of patch-board programming were serious enough to warrant consideration of new methods. Therefore, a card-programming system has been developed for the Dynamic System Synthesizer (the large-scale simulator which RCA proposes to build for the Air Force), and tried on the small prototype which is nearing completion. This system provides problem storage, and permits free programming while the computer is solving other problems. It also eliminates many errors of patch programming. The card programming could be done sequentially by using standard IBM cards. However, the cost precluded complete development of the sequential system, so they turned attention to a parallel semi-automatic method which uses relatively small punched cards with a 20 x 20 matrix. Each card is inserted in a program board and stays in place for the duration of the problem. Desired connections are made by contacts which pass through the cards. A fixed contact in the form of a hollow cylinder, flared out conically at one end, is mounted in the back panel of the problem board. A mating spring-loaded contact, in the form of a cylindrical piston turned down hemispherically at one end, is mounted on the door of the program board. The punched card is attached to the back panel using locating pins and spring clips. When the door is closed the spring-loaded contacts at locations where holes have been punched, pass through the holes and make the desired connection.

At other locations the spring-loaded contacts are restrained by the insulating paper. This paper must have mechanical strength, dimensional stability with changes of temperature and humidity, low conductivity, low dielectric constant, and high resistance to absorption of moisture. At present, 5K1A craft paper, which is a 5-mil-thick insulating paper with an unspecified acetate coating, is used. On the basis of some limited tests this paper seems superior to any other paper which RCA had at the time. After more than five months it appears satisfactory as to leakage, etc., but it has a tendency to shrink. So far this has not been objectionable.

One interesting factor is the force exerted by the array of contacts. Each contact exerts a two-ounce force in its compressed form. For a 50 x 50 array (2500 contacts) the force is about 300 pounds. A specially designed mechanism is required to help get the door closed.

To avoid continual flexing of cables or the use of slip rings, there are no permanent electrical connections in the door. The door connections to the horizontal crossbars are made by a set of standard holes in the punched cards.

Mr. Struther did not have the up-to-date figures on the number of components that will be built into the DSS, but roughly there will be 200 amplifiers, 100 integrators, and 100 multipliers. A computer of this size could require over 3 million switch contacts if a universal crossbar scheme were used in which every point could be connected to every other point. This type of redundancy can be reduced a long way by considering that the typical simulator is essentially a group of simple problems with a moderate number of inter-connections between them. Thus total number of switches required for all uses will be about 65,000.

The programming system for the computer is based on the use of three types of switching panels. The first type programs a section of the problem. The second type selects inputs and outputs for that section, and the third type of panel routes the inputs and outputs to the other sections of the problem.

Two auxiliary types of switch panels are used. One is for programming input and feedback impedance values in a binary fashion. The resistor values start at 62½K and run up to 128 megohms. So you have a maximum resolution in the resistance values of about one part in 2,000, and in the vicinity of one megohm, where a great deal of computation is done, the resolution is about one part in a hundred. The big computer also will be provided with some form of digitally-set pots for use where the resolution given by the binary system is not satisfactory. In addition to setting up input and feedback impedances, this auxiliary switch panel sets up the break points and slopes for the function generators.

The second type of auxiliary switch panel is used for interrupting the interconnecting leads which are not in use at the time, but which are connected to other portions of the computer. This is to reduce the load capacitance on elements which are actually in use.

This system has been applied successfully on paper to several full-scale guided-missile problems without running into limitations due to the method of programming. Its mechanical features and general utility have been tested by solving several dozen problems on the prototype, and few errors have occurred in the translation of simulation block-diagrams to computer programming cards. No problem so far has been encountered which was within the capabilities of the small computer but which exceeded the capabilities of the programming system.

Demonstration

Following this discussion, the meeting was turned over to Mr. Lehmann of the RCA Laboratories. Coffee and doughnuts were served, and RCA's prototype model of the computer was demonstrated.

Information (Without Theory)

We have just received a copy of a paper "Operational Equations for Programming Electronic Analog Computers" by H. M. Martinez, which we heard him present at the Louisiana State University High-Speed Computer Conference this spring. It describes a method for deriving the computer setup for solution of a problem by means of mathematical operators which subsequently provide a convenient and condensed record of the inter-connections made. Hugo claims other advantages for his method, and although it seems to us that it would appeal more to the mathematical than to the engineering-minded, it does have the advantage of eliminating the necessity for diagram, and showing in more detail

just how some changes are made. He would probably be happy to send you a copy of this paper, if you address him at Berkeley Scientific Division of Beckman Instruments, 2200 Wright Avenue, Richmond, Calif.

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We are also fortunate enough to have come into possession of a paper by O. R. Frisch, circa 4955 A.D., on the "Feasibility of Coal-Driven Power Stations." This erudite paper considers the possibility of using a material, believed to consist largely of the black fossilized remains of plants, as an alternative to fissionable material for the production of power. The potentialities are weighed against the problems inherent in the design of a reactor, the optimum configuration of the fuel element and methods of oxidation, the means of control, and—more serious—the health hazards involved. Those concerned about the future of our civilization when our supplies of fissionable material may be exhausted are urged to write us about this paper. If enough interest is shown, permission may be sought to publish the paper in its entirety (about 500 words) in these pages, possibly with the inclusion of a photograph of a crude pilot reaction made possible by the great resources of this scientific publication.

Computer Events

Eastern Simulation Council
Date: Monday, July 11
Place: Naval Air Development Center, Johnsville, Penna.
Subject: Analog Solutions of 3-dimensional problems. Contact: H. G. Tremblay, NADC, Johnsville, Penna.

Midwestern Simulation Council
Date: Monday, 20 June, 1:00 P.M.
Place: Armour Research Foundation, 10 West 35th St., Chicago, Ill.
Subject: "How to Run a Computing Facility". Representatives of WADC, Goodyear, Cyclone, Electronic Associates and Berkeley Scientific will probably speak. Contact: R. E. Zenner, Electrical Engineering Dept., Armour Research Foundation.

Western Simulation Council
Date: Thursday, 14 July, 1:00 P.M.
Place: Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Corona, Calif.
Subject: "Computer Techniques for Optimizing Dynamic Systems II". The first meeting on this subject proved so interesting (and settled so little) that it was decided to continue the subject. Story of the first meeting will be published in July **Instruments and Automation.** Contact: Don R. Totten at NOL.

Midwestern Simulation Council
Date: Monday, 15 August, 1:00 P.M.
Place: Wright Air Development Center, Wright Field, Ohio
Subject: "Cute Tricks in Simulation" —Demonstrations of equipment will be featured. Contact: Dr. L. M. Warshawsky, Attn: WCRRU, c/o Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Summer Engineering Seminar in Automation
Dates: 13-17 June 1955
Place: Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Penna. Sessions will stress the theoretical aspects of planning, instituting, and operating an automation system, along with such problems as economic consequences, equipment design and construction, standardization, scheduling, tooling, and control and integration. Contact: Eric A. Walker, Dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture.

Course in Advanced Servomechanism and Automatic Control Theory
Dates: 27 June—19 August 1955
Place: Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. Prime purpose of the course is to advance a critical, integrated account of all that consequential servomechanism theory which now exists in published form **beyond** the range of the basic content encompassed in current text-books on servomechanism theory. Contact: H. A. Peterson, University of Wisconsin.

Special Seminar Program on "Numerical Control of Machine Tools"
Dates: 22 August—2 September 1955
Place: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

Association for Computing Machinery
Dates: 14-16 September 1955
Place: University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Penna.
Subject: Annual Meeting. Persons wishing to present papers at this meeting should submit three copies of abstracts of not more than 120 words to the chairman of the Program Committee, Professor J. P. Nash, Digital Computer Laboratory, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., by June 15.

International Analog Computation Meeting
Dates: 27 September—1 October 1955
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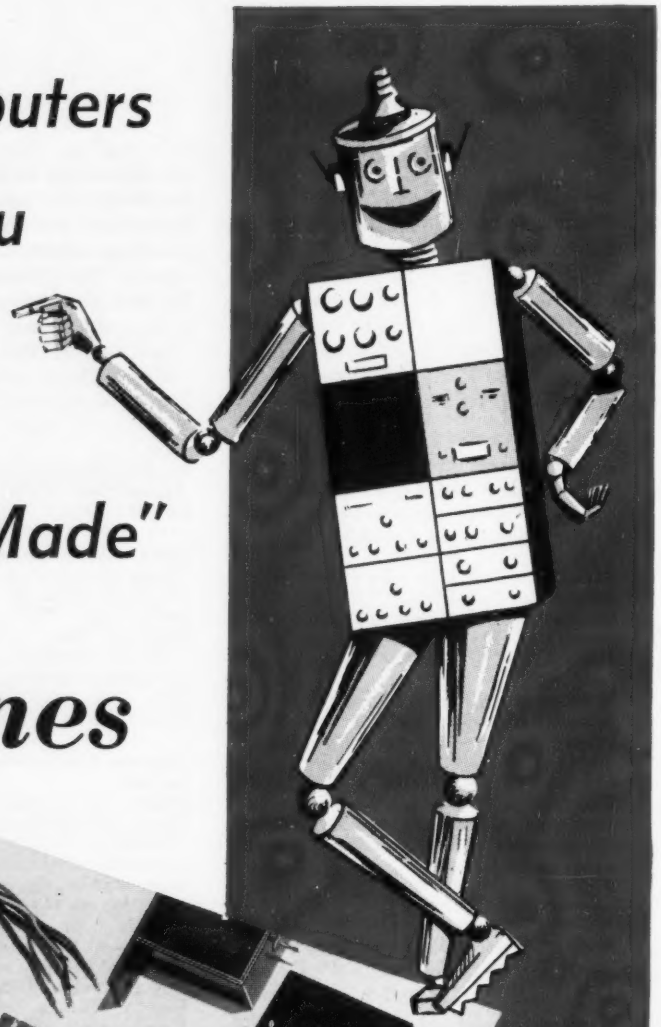

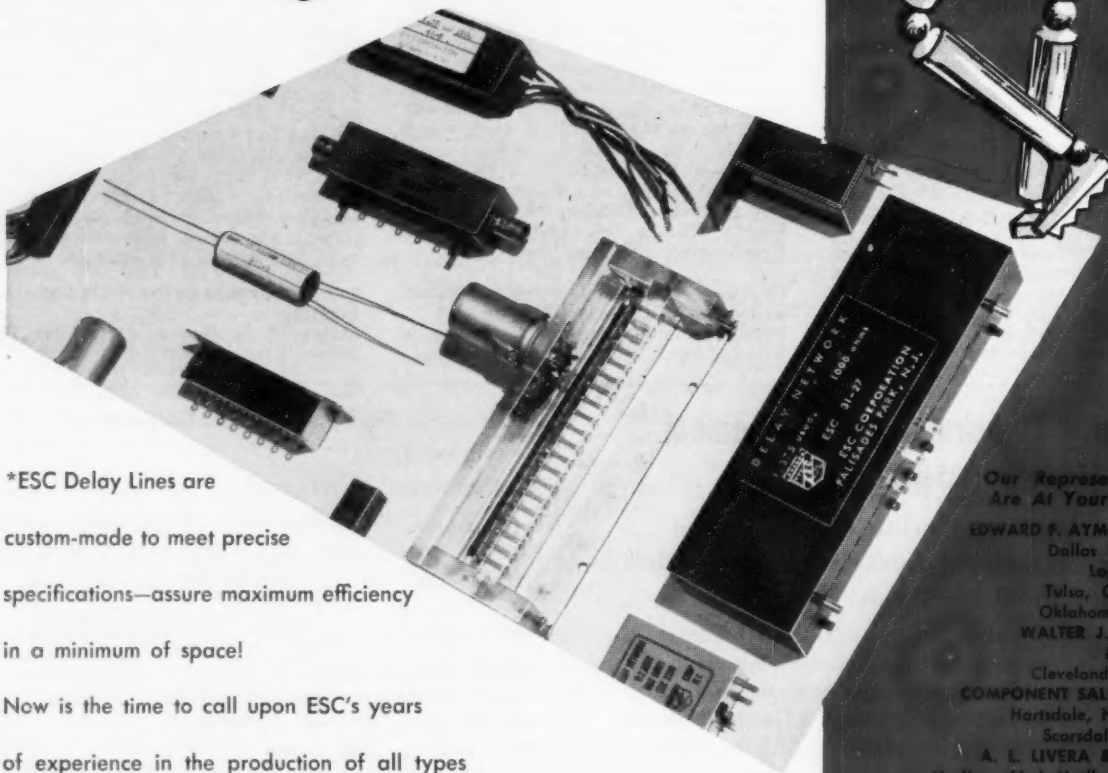

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Process Control Analysis

Final step preparatory to analysis of a closed-loop control system mathematically is combining the open-loop system and controller equations to obtain the closed-loop system equation. The order of the final equation is determined by the number of capacities in the system. Accurate evaluation of all system constants is essential to the success of the analysis.

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III

THE CLOSED-LOOP EQUATIONS

OPEN-LOOP EQUATIONS for single-, two-, and three-capacity processes were developed in the opening chapter of this series. In Chapter II we developed the equations for the controller section of the controlled system (including the measuring element, the controller, and the final control element). The final step in the development of the mathematics that describe an automatically controlled system consists of combining the equations of the process with those of the controller to obtain the equations of the controlled closed-loop system.

There are a large number of possible combinations of controller and processes, and it would not be practical to give a tabulated comprehensive list of mathematical equations describing every situation that may arise; we will emphasize the *procedure* for obtaining closed-loop equations for single-, two-, and three-capacity processes combined with a controller section containing up to two time lags. This covers many situations that occur in practice, and reduces the number of equations to a minimum, thereby emphasizing the procedures rather than the equations themselves.

The Controlled Single-capacity Process

Let us first consider the most elementary type of process, a single-capacity system. Fig. 3-1 shows a single-capacity process and a controller containing two time lags (both the measuring element and the final control element contain appreciable time lags). The equation for a single-capacity process (Equation 1.3) and a controller containing two time lags (Equation 2.28) were developed previously. For convenience, they are repeated:

$$(1/R_q)\ (H dx/dt + x) - x_q/R_q = F \qquad 1.3$$

$$(T_m T_v) d^2F/dt^2 + (T_m + T_v) dF/dt + F = -\alpha(x - x_o)\ - \gamma \int_o^t (x - x_o)\ dt - \beta dx/dt + F_o \qquad 2.28$$

where $\alpha = abc$; $\gamma = abcR$; $\beta = abcT$.

In the equations, the important terms are:

$T_m = R_m C_m$
$T_v = R_v C_v$
$H = R_q C$

α = the over-all proportional control factor
β = the over-all rate (or derivative) control factor
γ = the over-all reset (or integral) control factor

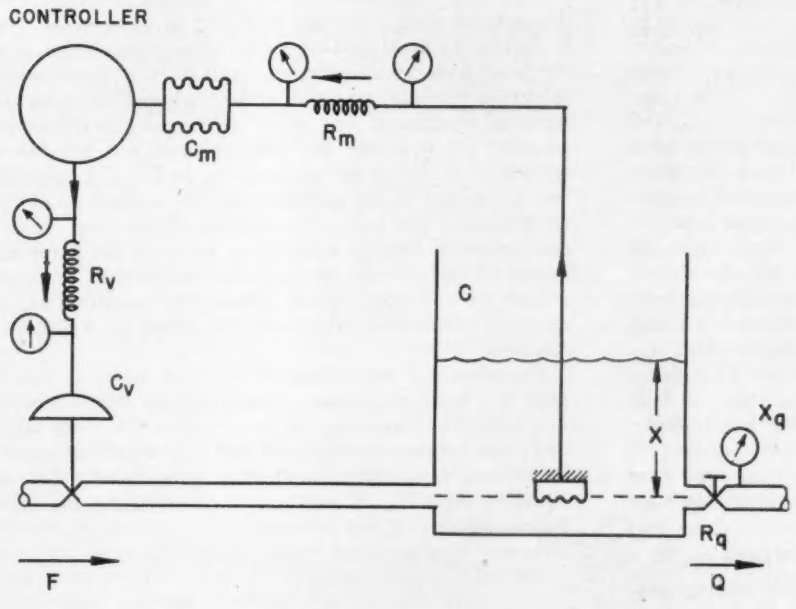

Fig. 3-1. Single-capacity process with ideal (lagless) controller, but with lag in both measuring system and valve. Equation for the closed-loop control system is a 3rd-order integro-differential equation, reflecting the three capacities in the system (C, C_m, and C_v).

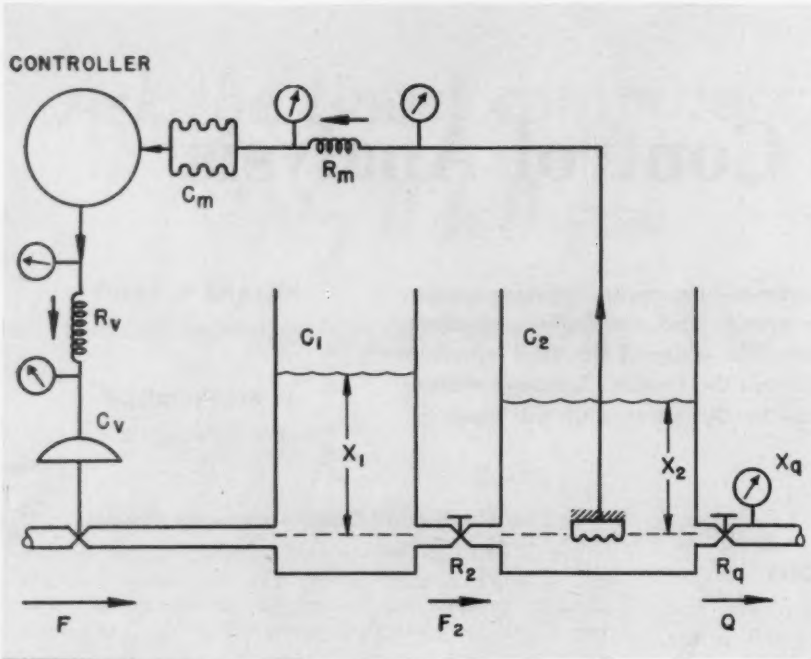

Fig. 3-2. Two-capacity process with ideal (lagless) controller, but with lag in both measuring system and valve. System equation for this closed-loop control application is a 4th-order integro-differential equation, reflecting the four capacities in the system (C_1, C_2, C_m, and C_v).

Combining equations 1.3 and 2.28 (by substituting F, dF, and d^2F from 1.3 in 2.28, and noting that x_q/R_q is a constant) yields:

$$T_mT_vH\,(d^3x/dt^3) + (T_mT_v + T_mH + T_vH)\,(d^2x/dt^2) + (T_m + T_v + H + R_q\beta)\,(dx/dt) + (1 + R_qa)\,(x-x_o) + R_q\gamma\int_o^t (x-x_o)\,dt = x_q-x_{qo} \quad 3.1$$

Equation 3.1 represents the closed-loop equation for a single-capacity process, an ideal controller, and a measuring element and final control element each possessing significant time lag. This equation is general for single-capacity systems (which can be represented as in Fig. 3-1). The equation includes a controller possessing all three types of control modes—proportional, derivative, and integral; if we desire to obtain the closed-loop equation for a single-capacity system where the measuring-element time lag can be neglected, and where there is no reset control action, it is necessary only to set the proper coefficients to zero and substitute these into equation 3.1. The terms T_m and γ would then be zero, and equation 3.1 would become:

$$T_vHd^2x/dt^2 + (T_v + H + R_q\beta)\,dx/dt + (1 + R_qa)\,(x-x_o) = x_q-x_{qo} \quad 3.1a$$

which is the closed-loop equation for a single-capacity system being controlled by a proportional plus derivative controller where both the measuring element and the controller are ideal, but where the final element has lag.

For another example of the general application of equation 3.1, let us assume that we desire the closed-loop equation for a single-capacity system where there are no time lags, and where only proportional control is being used. We would set T_m, T_v, β, and γ equal to zero.

Substituting these quantities into equation 3.1:

$$Hdx/dt + (1 + R_qa)\,(x-x_o) = x_q-x_{qo} \quad 3.1b$$

Equation 3.1b is the closed-loop equation for a single-capacity system where the entire controller section is considered ideal and where only proportional control is used. Equation 3.1 is general for single-capacity systems.

Controlled Two-capacity Process

A two-capacity process and a controller section possessing two time lags is shown in Fig. 3-2. The open-loop process equation (1.9) was developed previously. For convenience, it is repeated:

$$\frac{1}{R_q}\left(J_2\frac{d^2x_2}{dt^2} + J_1\frac{dx_2}{dt} + x_2\right) - \frac{x_q}{R_q} = F \quad 1.9$$

where

$$J_2 = C_1C_2R_2R_q \quad 1.10$$

$$J_1 = C_1R_2 + C_1R_q + C_2R_q \quad 1.10$$

To obtain the closed-loop-system equation, it will be necessary to combine equation 1.9 with the general controller equation 2.28, which was repeated in the previous section dealing with the single-capacity process.

Combining these equations (as done to obtain 3.1):

$$T_mT_vJ_2d^4x_2/dt^4 + (T_mT_vJ_2 + T_mJ_2 + T_vJ_2)\,d^3x_2/dt^3 + (T_mT_v + T_mJ_1 + T_vJ_2 + J_2)\,d^2x_2/dt^2 + (T_m + T_v + J_2 + R_q\beta)\,dx_2/dt + (1 + R_qa)\,(x_2-x_o) + R_q\gamma\int_o^t (x_2-x_o)\,dt = x_q-x_{qo} \quad 3.2$$

Equation 3.2 represents the closed-loop equation for the general case of a two-capacity process being controlled by an ideal controller but with measuring element lag and final-control-element lag. It is a fourth-order integro-differential equation (effectively a fifth-order differential equation). *The order of the integro-differential form of the equation will always equal the number of capacities in the closed-loop system.* In Fig. 3-2 there are two capacities in the process, and the equivalent of two capacities in the controller section of the loop. It is a comparatively lengthy expression, but once the numerical values of the process constants are substituted, it would reduce to a simple, linear differential equation having constant coefficients, which can be solved by well-known methods.

Equation 3.2 represents the general case; it can be used to obtain the equations for systems which are less involved. For example, let us consider the case where there are no lags, and where the only mode of control being used is integral. The following terms would be set equal to zero: T_m, T_v, a, and β. Substituting the above into equation 3.2, we obtain:

$$J_2d^2x_2/dt^2 + J_1dx_2/dt + (x_2-x_o) + R_q\gamma\int_o^t (x_2-x_o)\,dt = x_q-x_{qo} \quad 3.2a$$

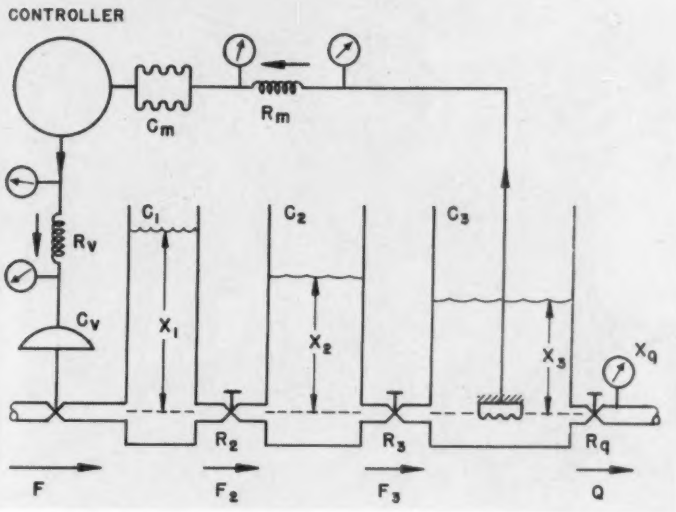

Fig. 3-3. Three-capacity process with ideal controller, but with lag in measuring and valve circuits. System equation is a 5th-order integro-differential equation, reflecting the five capacities in the system (C_1, C_2, C_3, C_m, C_v).

Once the general equation is written (such as equation 3.2 for the two-capacity system, and equation 3.1 for the single-capacity system) it is easy to obtain the closed-loop equation for any possible combination of controller modes that is being used on the process.

Controlled Three-capacity Process

The final process to be considered is a relatively complex system, as shown in Fig. 3-3. This three-capacity process, under control by a controller section containing two time lags, will yield a fifth-order integro-differential equation. The open-loop equation of this process (equation 1.17) has been developed previously, and is repeated:

$$\frac{1}{R_q}\left(K_3\frac{d^3x_3}{dt^3} + K_2\frac{d^2x_3}{dt^2} + K_1\frac{dx_3}{dt} + x_3\right) - \frac{x_q}{R_q} = F \quad 1.17$$

where
$$K_3 = C_1C_2C_3R_2R_3R_q \quad 1.18$$
$$K_2 = C_1C_2R_2R_3 + C_1C_2R_2R_q + C_1C_3R_2R_q + C_1C_3R_3R_q + C_2C_3R_3R_q$$
$$K_1 = C_1R_2 + C_1R_3 + C_1R_q + C_2R_3 + C_2R_q + C_3R_q$$

As additional capacity is added to the system, the expressions become lengthy, and care must be exercised in the evaluation of the coefficients. Combining equation 1.17 with 2.28 (as done to obtain 3.1) yields:

$$T_mT_vK_3\frac{d^5x_3}{dt^5} + (T_mT_vK_2 + T_mK_3 + T_vK_3)\frac{d^4x_3}{dt^4} + (T_mT_vK_1 + T_mK_2 + T_vK_2 + K_3)\frac{d^3x_3}{dt^3} + (T_mT_v + T_mK_1 + T_vK_1 + K_2)\frac{d^2x_3}{dt^2} + (T_m + T_v + K_1 + R_q\beta)\frac{dx}{dt^3} + (1 + R_q\alpha)(x_3 - x_o) + R_q\gamma\int_o^t (x_3 - x_o)\,dt = x_q - x_{qo} \quad 3.3$$

Equation 3.3 represents the general case of a three-capacity system being controlled by a controller section containing two time lags. It is a lengthy expression, but once the system constants are inserted, we obtain single numerical values of all coefficients. Also, equation 3.3 involves a controller possessing proportional, derivative, and integral control response. As described previously, the same equation can be used for obtaining the closed-loop equation for a less-involved *controlled three-capacity process*. For example, let us consider a three-capacity process being controlled by an ideal controller with proportional control only, and with no time lags anywhere in the system. Therefore, the following terms would be set equal to zero: T_m, T_v, β, and γ.

Substituting these relationships into equation 3.3:

$$K_3\frac{d^3x_3}{dt^3} + K_2\frac{d^2x_3}{dt^2} + K_1\frac{dx_3}{dt} + (1 + R_q\alpha)(x_3 - x_o) = x_q - x_{qo} \quad 3.3a$$

Thus, once the general expression is obtained for a given process and controller, it is simple to obtain other closed-loop equations.

Conclusions

We have completed the task of combining the process and the controller equations to obtain the closed-loop system equation. Several processes and controller combinations have been described to enable one to apply the procedures to analogous cases. Once the closed-loop expression is obtained for a given system, it is possible to analyze mathematically the type of response that can be expected for a step-type disturbance, which is the type of disturbance often assumed for mathematical developments. A step-type disturbance is severe, and a process which responds satisfactorily when subjected to such an upset should prove successful in practical application.

The success of any mathematical analysis, whether done by the procedures described or by other methods, depends on the *accurate evaluation of the system constants*. This means that careful calculation must be made of the process resistances and capacities, as well as the time lags in the measuring and valve sections of the loop. It also may be necessary to consider the time lag within the controller in fast processes (such as flow control or pressure control) where the time lag within the process is small. This has not been considered: however, it would result only in adding another resistance-capacity stage in the controller.

All of our developments up to now have been in a general manner, with the objective of obtaining the closed-loop equation. Our next step will be to examine these equations analytically, and to apply them to some practical applications to illustrate the use of closed-loop equations, as in predicting the performance of an actual system when subjected to a step-type disturbance.

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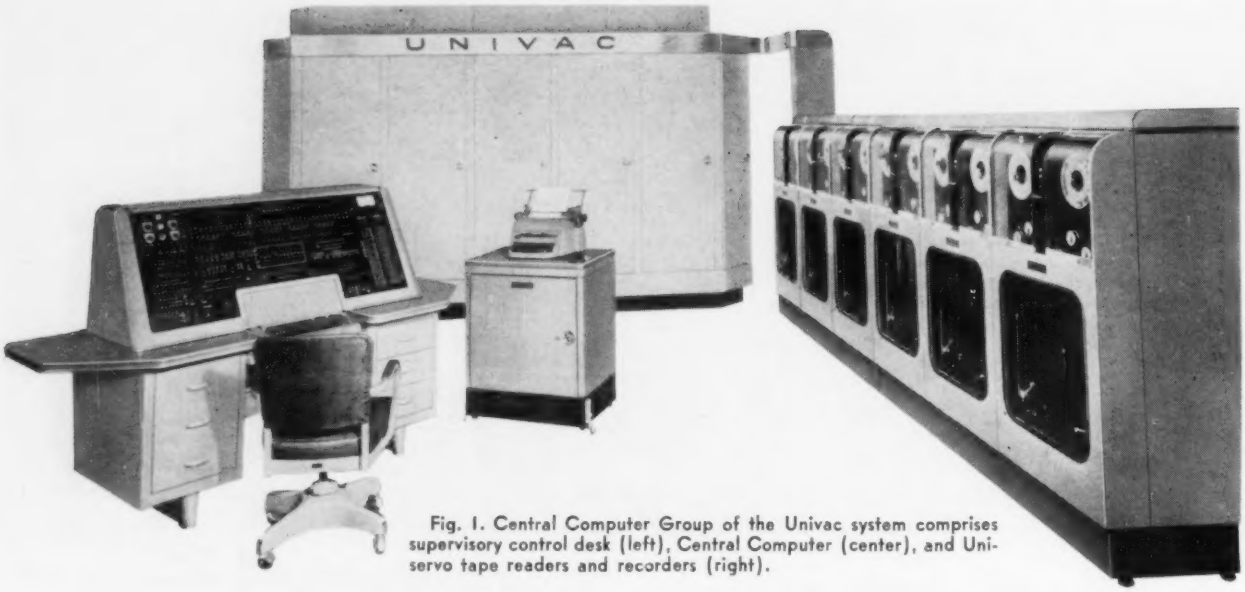

Fig. 1. Central Computer Group of the Univac system comprises supervisory control desk (left), Central Computer (center), and Uniservo tape readers and recorders (right).

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ELECTRONIC COMPUTER art has made tremendous progress in the few years since the first one was completed in Philadelphia in 1945. In the first week of October, 1954, at the Major Appliance Division of General Electric in Louisville, Kentucky, a large-scale electronic digital computer, Remington Rand's Univac (UNIVersal Automatic Computer) produced payroll checks for distribution to General Electric employees. The data-processing involved was completely automatic from the transcription of the raw data to the production of the final documents. This was the first major example of electronic automation in the office—a type of operation to which the Univac System is exactly fitted.

The essential characteristic of office automation is the complete mechanization of all steps of the processing operation, from beginning to end.

Elements of Univac System

The system consists of two major groups of equipment: (1) The *Central Computer Group* (Fig. 1) which processes information fed to it from magnetic tape and records the results onto magnetic tape; and (2) the *Auxiliary Equipment* needed to put information onto magnetic tape and translate into understandable form the magnetic recording of the processed results.

The *Central Computer Group* (Fig. 1) includes the Supervisory Control (left) with its printer and oscilloscope, Uniservos (right), and Central Computer (center), which is the "heart" of the system.

The Central Computer of the Univac, like most large-scale general-purpose computers, has five general sections, each with a separate function. These sections are (1) *input* circuits, controls, and buffer storage, (2) *storage* facilities (memory) for information and instructions, (3) *arithmetic*, or *processing*, circuits, (4) *control* circuits, including *checking circuits*, and (5) *output* circuits, controls, and buffer storage.

Input Circuits

Input Circuits include means of introducing information to the computer in a way immediately useful to the processing circuits. Early in the development of the Univac system it was decided that the most practical method of providing input to the computer was by magnetic tape. When the computing system is to be used for handling the masses of information required by large business and industries (rather than for performing long and complex operations on a small amount of informa-

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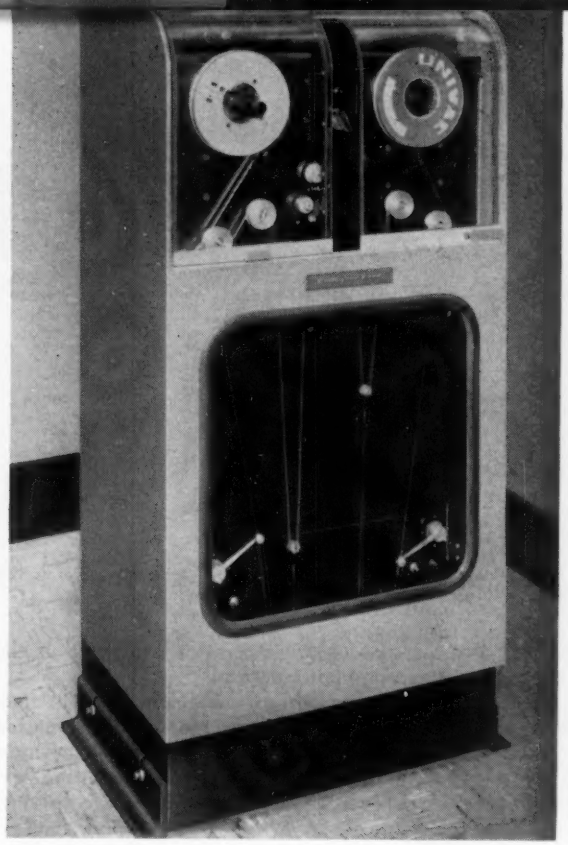

Fig. 2. A Uniservo, the magnetic-tape reader and recorder used in the Univac system. Uniservos are essentially high-speed tape handlers, and are used as both input and output elements with the Central Computer.

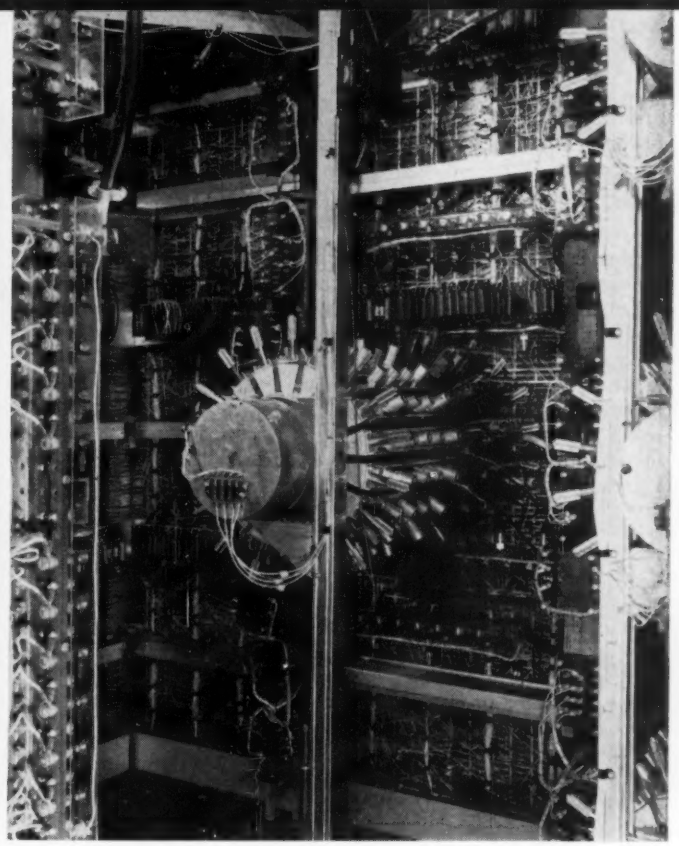

Fig. 3. A mercury memory tank (or acoustic delay line) containing 18 separate 10-word channels, each word consisting of 12 alphabetic or numeric characters.

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tion) no other method is as fast, or as compatible to the requirements of an electronic system. The development of the Univac metal magnetic-tape provided a means of entering data into a computer, and receiving results from it, at speeds commensurate with the speed of internal operation.

Uniservos

The tape is handled by high-speed tape-transport devices know as *Uniservos* (Fig. 2), whether it is used for input or for output. Input tapes are read into the Univac under the control of semi-independent tape controls; the computer merely signals these controls to read, and then, while the read operation is taking place, goes on with other computer operations.

The tape controls finish the operation, taking the data, arranging it in proper sequence (the Univac can read either backwards or forwards, and the information still enters the computing circuits in the proper order), and timing it into the internal synchronization of the central computer. Then, as it is synchronized, it is entered into *buffer storage*, a special section of the mercury memory (separate from the addressed computer storage), where it is held until the computer is ready for it. Then it is sent to the addressed storage, ready for processing.

Storage

There are 1000 addressed memory locations in the Univac, each containing one computer "word" of 12 alphabetic or numeric characters. The information contained in the memory is held by means of an acoustic delay (Fig. 3). Information travelling at the speed of light enters a column of mercury as a shock wave which passes through the mercury at the speed of sound; at the other end of the column it is picked up, amplified, resynchronized, and reshaped. Then it can be either sent out for use in other parts of the computer, or recirculated through the mercury.

The memory is checked automatically to make certain that no information is lost or changed by being held there.

Data-Processing Circuits

The data-processing circuits (in the central computer) perform the actual arithmetic and logical operations on information received from the memory. There are two identical sets of data-processing circuits. The problem is run through both sets simultaneously, and compared at various stages. If both sections agree on their results, the flow of work proceeds. If there is any disagreement, Univac will stop so that the operator can take appropriate action.

When the computation has been performed, the result is returned to the memory, where it is either stored

awaiting the next instruction or, if a final result, sent out of the computer as output and recorded on magnetic tape by the Uniservo.

Control and Sequence Circuits

Master control over all these operations is exercised by the Control and Sequencing circuits. The control circuits generate the signals that perform each individual instruction, and guide the information through the computer according to the instructions. The sequencing circuits automatically set up the individual instructions of the program and lead the problem step by step through to solution. These circuits, operating either completely automatically or under the guidance of the program, give to Univac its automatic character, and increase its versatility and speed.

Output

Information leaving the internal addressed storage is sent into a buffer storage unit, where it is held pending the movement of the tape. The output-control circuits, like the input-control circuits, are essentially independent of other computer operations: the computer signals them to work, and the memory provides the information, but the separate output controls perform the actual write operation without interference from the computer. As a result of these independent input and output controls, Univac can read, write, and compute simultaneously. It is the only computer that can perform all three functions at the same time.

As the tape moves, the information is taken from the buffer storage, one character at a time, and fed to the magnetic recording head, which records the character in Univac code as a pattern of magnetic pulses on the tape.

Instructions

Univac recognizes and uses a repertory of 45 instructions. Seven of these are *arithmetic instructions* in the strict sense of the word: (1) transfer-and-add, (2) add, (3) subtract, (4) multiply-with-roundoff, (5) multiply-without-roundoff, (6) negative-multiply, and (7) divide. Eight of the 45 instructions are 1-word *transfers*, two are 2-word transfers, two are 10-word transfers, and two are 60-word transfers. (In a 1-word transfer, one word is transferred from the memory to one of the four 1-word registers, or vice versa. In 2-word transfer, two words are transferred from the memory to the one 2-word register, or vice versa. Similar transfer applies to the one 10-word register and the two 60-word registers. Greater flexibility will result from the use of newer magnetic core memory: words other than 1, 2, 10, and 60 in number will be transferrable in Univac II.)

In addition to the seven arithmetic instructions and eight transfer instructions, there are eight *tape instructions* and two *Supervisory Control instructions*: these ten carry the bulk of input-output operations, although other operations can be initiated from the control console. There are four instructions to control *right-* and *left-shift* (in relation to the decimal point) with or without sign. Two instructions *compare operands* to determine the necessity for transfer; a third instruction *transfers control unconditionally*; a fourth enables the programmer to *store* an unconditional-transfer instruction in a position determined by the program. Other instructions are the *extract instruction* (for changing single digits within a computer word), and *conditional and unconditional stop instructions*.

An *automatic overflow routine* is built into the computer's logic so that the programmer can compensate for an improper division or any operation that exceeds the capacity of the accumulator register.

Fig. 4. Supervisory Control desk, at which operator controls the operation of the Central Computer of Univac.

The *compare-and-transfer instructions* enable the computer to sort either alphabetic or numeric information with equal ease. Sorting has been described as the most inefficient operation to which a tape-fed computing system can be applied; yet the ability of Univac to read forward or backward from tape with equal facility, coupled with the compare-and-transfer instructions, has reduced even this operation to the level of practicality: 12,000 ten-word items, for example, can be sorted to a 2-digit key in 21 minutes (any 2 digits can be the key for the sorting operation).

Advantages of Univac Central Computer

The Central Computer, which is the heart of the Univac System, is the component in which all processing (arithmetic and logical) operations take place. Analysis of the thirteen Univacs installed as of October, 1954, would probably include the following advantages as those of greatest significance:

1. *Treatment of exceptions*: In most accounting or data-processing procedures, the treatment of exceptional situations is an area in which mechanized systems make poor showing; due to limited capacity and flexibility, exceptional cases are normally set aside and treated manually. Although the number of exceptions is usually a small percentage of the total, a considerable amount of expense and delay is involved in treating them. Owing to the computer's ability to store in its memory the subroutines necessary to process each variation of the normal processing operations, exceptional cases need not be segregated but can be treated, automatically, as they arise.

2. *Elimination of manual intervention*: Punched-card systems and other semimechanized systems consist of a variety of machines, each with a single function or a cluster of similar functions. A sorter, for example, arranges cards; a collator merges card decks or selects cards; a gang-punch reproduces common information. Between each machine operation, a clerical operation may be required to transport cards and to assure against loss or misplacement of items. The automatic computer, where all required operations are performed in a single device, eliminates manual or clerical intervention to a surprising degree from the time raw data is recorded on magnetic tape to the time the final edited output is printed.

3. *Speed of computation*: Speed of computation, made possible by electronic techniques, is the basic advantage

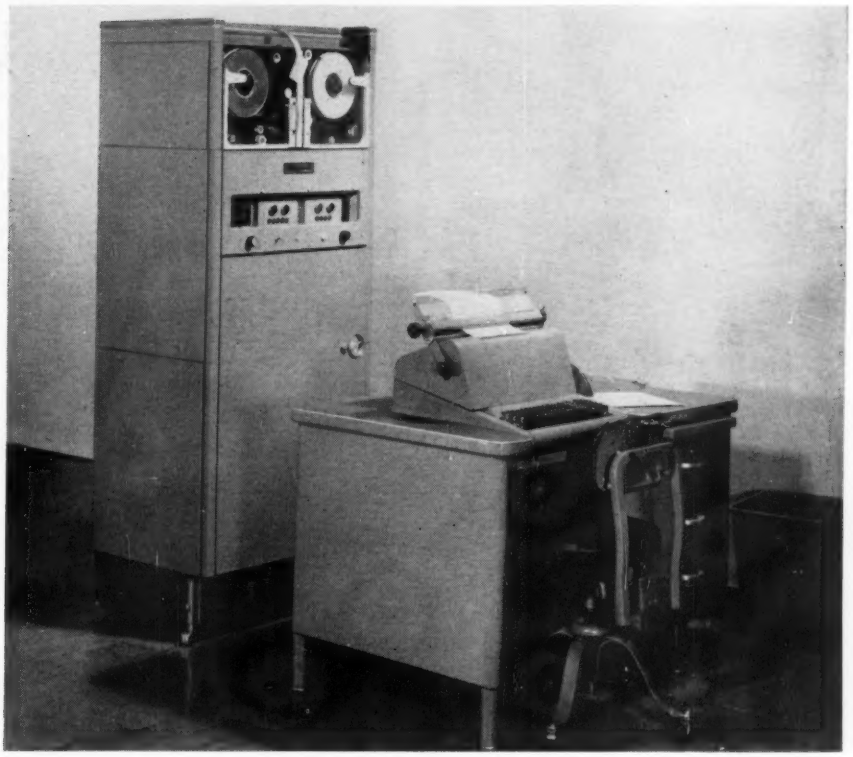


Fig. 5. Unityper I puts raw data on tape for use by the Uniservos.

of modern computers. Example: The Air Materiel Command, using their Univac system at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, recently completed, in one day, the complete Fiscal 1956 Budget estimate for airborne-equipment spare parts, involving approximately 500,000 items. A large battery of the most modern punched-card equipment previously had required weeks to complete this same work.

4. *Accuracy of computation*: Equally important as speed is the accuracy of the processing operation, made feasible through circuit design and error-detector features built into the system. Univac has 35 basic checking circuits, and completely duplicate processing circuits; these features constitute about 30 percent of the total equipment in the Central Computer. Owing to the extensive self-checking in Univac, including the duplications, the user does not have to rely on test runs, nor on the programmer's skill in coding program checks. In addition, a maintenance man can isolate a faulty circuit easily because the computer stops at the instant a fault is detected.

Supervisory Control Console

The operations of the Central Computer are controlled and supervised by the human operator at the Supervisory Control Console (Fig. 4). It is from this station also that the maintenance staff performs the initial analysis and isolation of any machine malfunction. The control desk consists of a large panel (on which the indicator lights and control switches are located) and a communicating keyboard. The keyboard is the means by which the operator "talks" to the computer.

An associated printer (shown in Fig. 1), similar to the printing unit of the Uniprinter, permits the computer to "talk back" under the control of the program or at the discretion of the operator. By using this printer, the operator can read out from any memory location, from any of the arithmetic and transfer registers, and even from the control registers.

Monitor Oscilloscope

A Monitor Oscilloscope (shown on the cover) is a valuable part of the console group, joining with the indicators on the control panel to permit the operator to observe the internal operations of the computer at any time. Switches on the control panel can be used to interrupt the automatic operation of Univac if necessary, and to start, stop, and alter the course of the program.

Uniservos

Uniservos are high-speed devices for handling magnetic tape. They can feed information into the Central Computer at speeds to 12,800 digits (numbers or letters) per second; the computer can record results on tape at the same peak speed. The Uniservos operate as an integral part of the Central Computer group, under directions from the computer (Figs. 1 and 2).

Univac recording tape is a specially plated metal tape on which information can be recorded in the form of patterns of magnetic impressions. There are many advantages to using this type of tape as a means for putting information into the computer and recording the results: (1) It is compact; one 8-inch reel holds the equivalent of two 4-drawer tabulating-card files containing more than 20,000 cards. (2) It is virtually indestructible; under extremes of heat and cold, neither the tapes nor the recorded information is affected. (3) It is reusable and long-lived; tapes can be re-read thousands of times. The information can be erased at anytime and other information recorded.

Auxiliary Equipment

The Central Computer Group is a system complete in itself, operating on magnetic tape. It takes information, processes it sequentially at electronic speeds, and produces the desired results. However, both the input and output are on magnetic tape. Auxiliary equipment is needed to put the data to be processed and the processing

Fig. 6. Unityper II is simpler version of Unityper I.

instructions on magnetic tape and, conversely, to translate the end results into understandable form.

Unityper I

Raw data that has never been processed before is usually prepared for the computer on a Unityper. The keyboard of the Model I Unityper (Fig. 5) consists of a regular typewriter keyboard, an auxiliary numeric keyboard for the high-speed typing of numbers, and a bank of control keys. Its cabinet contains not only the circuits that translate keyboard material into pulse patterns on tape, but also a special "automatic operator" apparatus that permits the automatic recording of certain types of reiterative material. Thus, the Unityper I is ideally suited to the preparation of program tapes, or any other type of repetitive information pattern.

Unityper II

The Model II Unityper (Fig. 6), a recent development, provides another means for typing information on tape. Many of the control devices, including the "automatic operator" apparatus, are eliminated from Unityper II for simplicity and compactness; its keypoard is that of a slightly modified Remington electric typewriter. Although it cannot save as much time as Unityper I in typing of reiterative material, it can perform many of the same jobs at a fraction of the cost.

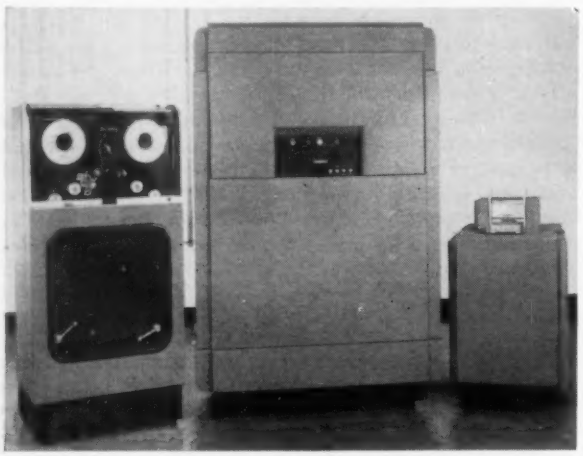


Fig. 7. Card-to-magnetic-tape Converter processes 240 cards per minute, and puts data on magnetic tape for Uniservos.

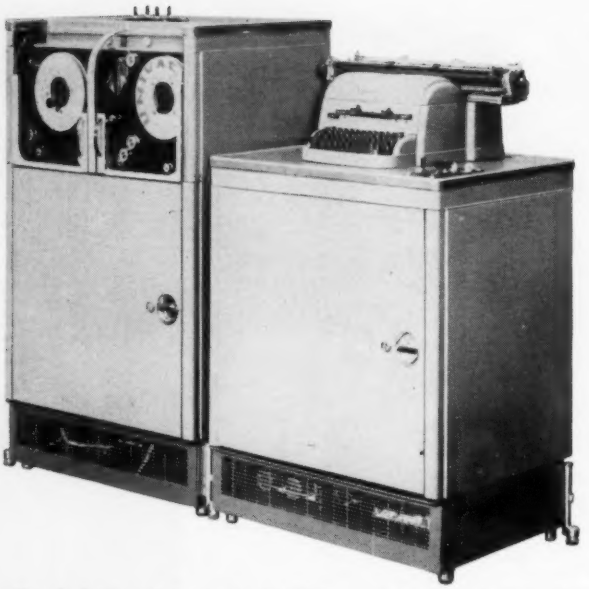


Fig. 8. Intermediate-speed Uniprinter consists of a tape reader and printing unit. It is an auxiliary output device for the Central Computer.

Card-to-tape Converter

Punched-card information can be prepared for Univac by the Card-to-magnetic-tape Converter (Fig. 7), which automatically translates information from punched cards into magnetic impressions on tape. The converter processes 240 cards a minute, producing a tape record of the material on the cards. Accuracy is ensured by built-in checking circuits, which include means for reading each card twice and comparing the second reading with the tape recording of the first reading. If an inconsistency is discovered, the card is ejected for attention. Once information is transcribed from punched cards to magnetic tape, the cards need no longer be kept on file because the information can be stored permanently as a magnetic recording.

Uniprinter

The Central Computer records its results on reels of magnetic tape. These results can then be printed out on the Uniprinter (Fig. 8), which consists of a tape reader and a printing unit. The printing unit is a Remington electric typewriter, operated by the magnetic impulses read from the tape by the tape reader.

High-speed Printer

For printing large quantities of processed data, the revolutionary new High-speed Printer is used (Fig. 9). This printer can print ten lines of 130 characters each per second, in any desired format. Photoelectric techniques are used to synchronize the triggering mechanisms for the print hammers to obtain this remarkable speed.

Tape-to-card Converter

The *Tape-to-card Converter* (Fig. 10) transfers information from Univac's magnetic recordings into punched cards at the rate of 120 cards a minute. Checking circuits enable the converter to read the cards back and compare the punched-card information with the original tape recording, ensuring the accuracy of the process. Cards containing inconsistencies are automatically rejected.

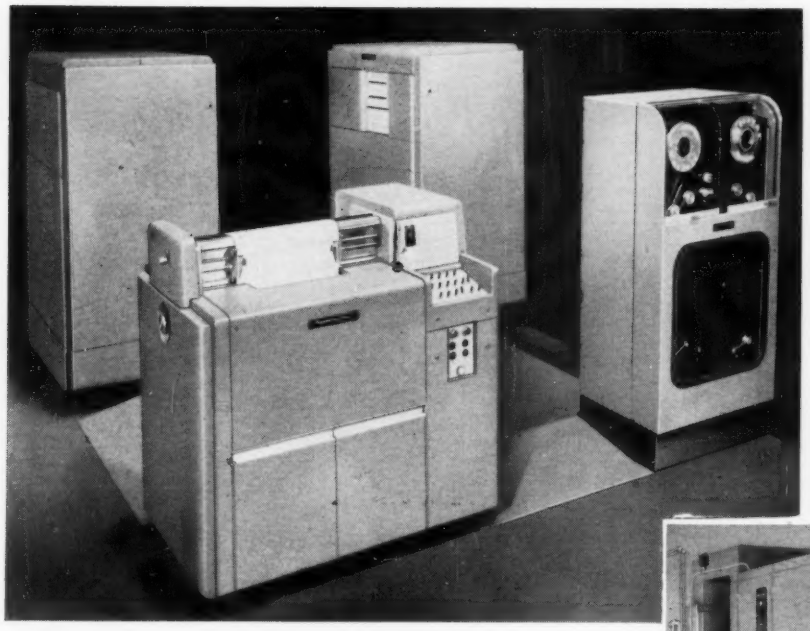
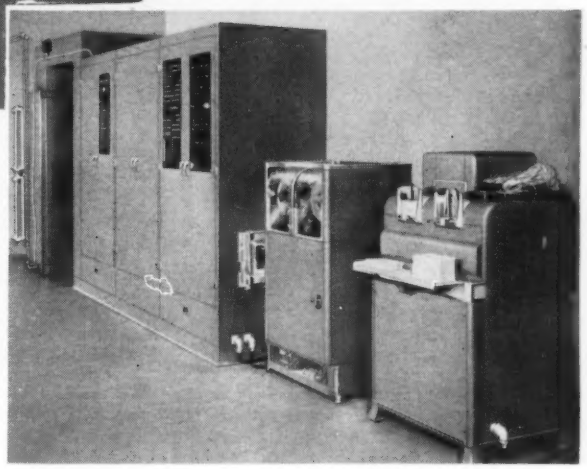


Fig. 9. High-speed printer, another auxiliary output device for the Central Computer, can print ten 130-character lines per second (600 lines per minute).

Fig. 10. Tape-to-card Converter transfers data from tape to punched cards at rate of 120 cards per minute.



Applications of Univac

The first Univac System was accepted by the U. S. Bureau of the Census in March, 1951. American industry has now grasped the full significance of electronic data-processing systems; 13 "office Univac" Systems are already delivered, and more than a dozen commercial contracts await delivery during 1955 and 1956.

The first six Univac Systems were delivered to government and defense agencies—the Bureau of the Census, the Office of the Air Comptroller, the Army Map Service, the Bureau of Ships of the U. S. Navy, and two to the Atomic Energy Commission. Then followed several commercial installations: General Electric in Louisville, Kentucky; Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in New York; Remington Rand's New York Computing Center; the National Tube Division of U. S. Steel in Pittsburgh, Pa.; the DuPont Corporation in Wilmington, Del.; a second Univac to U. S. Steel at Gary, Ind.; and one to Franklin Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, Ohio. The Air Force procured a second Univac with the Air Materiel Command installation at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, and the Census installed their second on the same site as their first.

Other interesting contracts to be fulfilled include Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, and Sylvania Electric Products Corporation. Remington Rand has opened a West Coast Computing Center in Los Angeles.

Do You Need a Large-scale Computer?

The prospective user must establish his need for such computers. In March 1953, with this philosophy in mind, we established a training division within the Electronic Computer Department of Remington Rand. These courses can provide information about the large-scale computer so that persons acquainted with their own data-processing problems can undertake an evaluation of potential economies. This is more efficient than educating a computer specialist in the ramifications of the specific commercial or accounting problem of a particular company.

We recommend that interested firms select two or three employees who are thoroughly familiar with their own business transactions to be trained in the logic and programming of large-scale computers—by Remington Rand or any other computer manufacturer. The basic theory of all large-scale computers is similar; education in one system is translatable to another. Following training, a survey can be instituted within defined areas of application in order to determine the economies of ordering a computer.

The personnel selected to receive training and to conduct the survey do not have to be mathematicians or engineers; they need only be open-minded and familiar with every detail of the operations to be evaluated. The analysis of systems and procedures, together with flow-charting, comprises about three quarters of the total work involved in preparing the necessary instructions required by the computer (generally referred to as programming). Coding the flow-chart into computer language is far less work.

An interesting point is that even though a computer purchase may not be warranted by the results of the survey, improved procedures will inevitably result from the minute detail that must be incorporated into any procedure survey. Such surveys quickly bring to light inefficiencies that may exist.

Prospective Developments

Remington Rand today possesses three extensive facilities devoted to the development of electronics: the Laboratory for Advanced Research at Norwalk, Connecticut; the Eckert-Mauchly Division at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and the Engineering Research Associates Division at St. Paul, Minnesota. In total, over 2,500 engineers, tech-

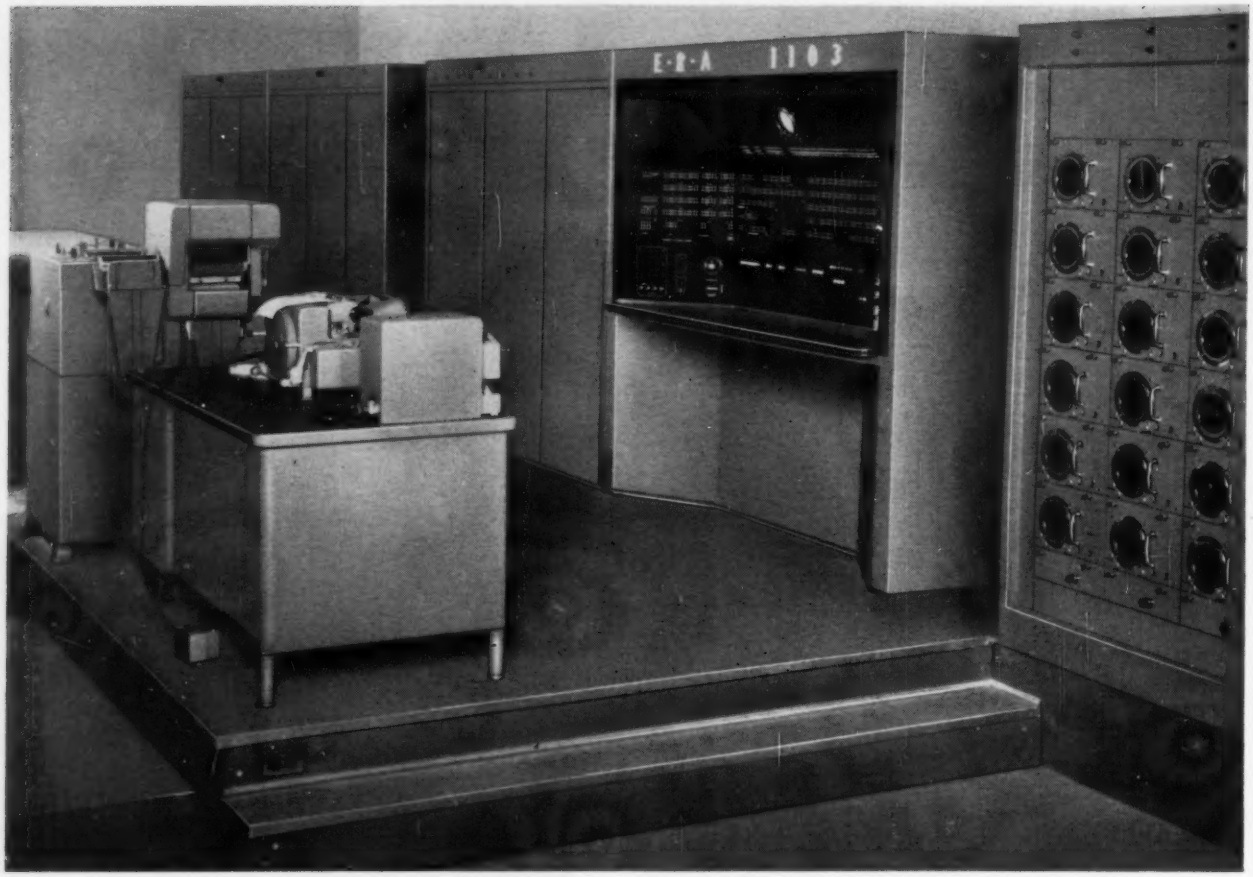


Fig. 11. Univac Scientific Computer, formerly called the ERA 1103, is a general-purpose high-speed computer featuring binary operation, 36-bit word size, 44 instructions, and internal storage memory of magnetic drum and magnetic core.

nicians, and scientists are at work; improvements will be forthcoming in both the Central Computer and the peripheral equipment.

Two such developments can be mentioned. During 1955, a *keyboard-operated magnetic-tape verifier* will be available in production quantities. This unit functions as a triple-purpose machine—(1) to record information onto magnetic tape from original documents, (2) to function as an intermediate-speed printer, or (3) to verify information previously recorded on a reel of magnetic tape. Its third function is certainly the most important because, for the first time, a means for tape verification will be available that is economically competitive with punched-card verification.

A second development is a converter to provide automatic translation between punched-paper tape and magnetic tape. These units will be forerunners of an extensive program to provide communication facilities between the decentralized points where data may originate and the central data-processing facility.

In summary, the year 1954 represented the coming of age of the large-scale electronic computer for application within business and industry. Tangible dollar savings of staggering proportions are made possible by application of electronic techniques to the solution of familiar and common tasks—payroll accounting, revenue accounting, inventory control, and the like. Although companies justify the procurement of electronic systems on the basis of these savings, the longer range significance of the electronic computer may lie in another direction. Greater economic rewards will result from applying electronic-computer methods to fields such as operations research and scientific management, particularly linear programming techniques to optimize the output of production lines, or assuring maximum profit through optimization of product mix. The forecasting of sales can be envisioned, and the rapid readjustment of complex production schedules. The large-scale electronic computer is ready for all of these potential areas of application.

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UNIVAC SCIENTIFIC COMPUTER—formerly called the ERA 1103—is shown in Fig. 11. It is a general-purpose, high-speed computer of large capacity. Its internal arithmetic operations are in the parallel mode (that is, the 36 pulses comprising one word advance "broadside" and are operated on simultaneously, unlike the Univac in which the pulses advance serially in a series stream and are operated on individually). Computer information is represented in pure binary form; the basic word size is 36 bits. A word may be an instruction, a number, or an arbitrarily coded quantity.

A form of two-address logic is employed. An instruction word consists of a 6-bit operation code and two 15-bit execution addresses. The functions of the execution addresses are different for the various types of instructions, but in most cases they specify registers in the memory from which operands are to be obtained, or in which results are to be stored. There are 44 instructions in the computer's repertory.

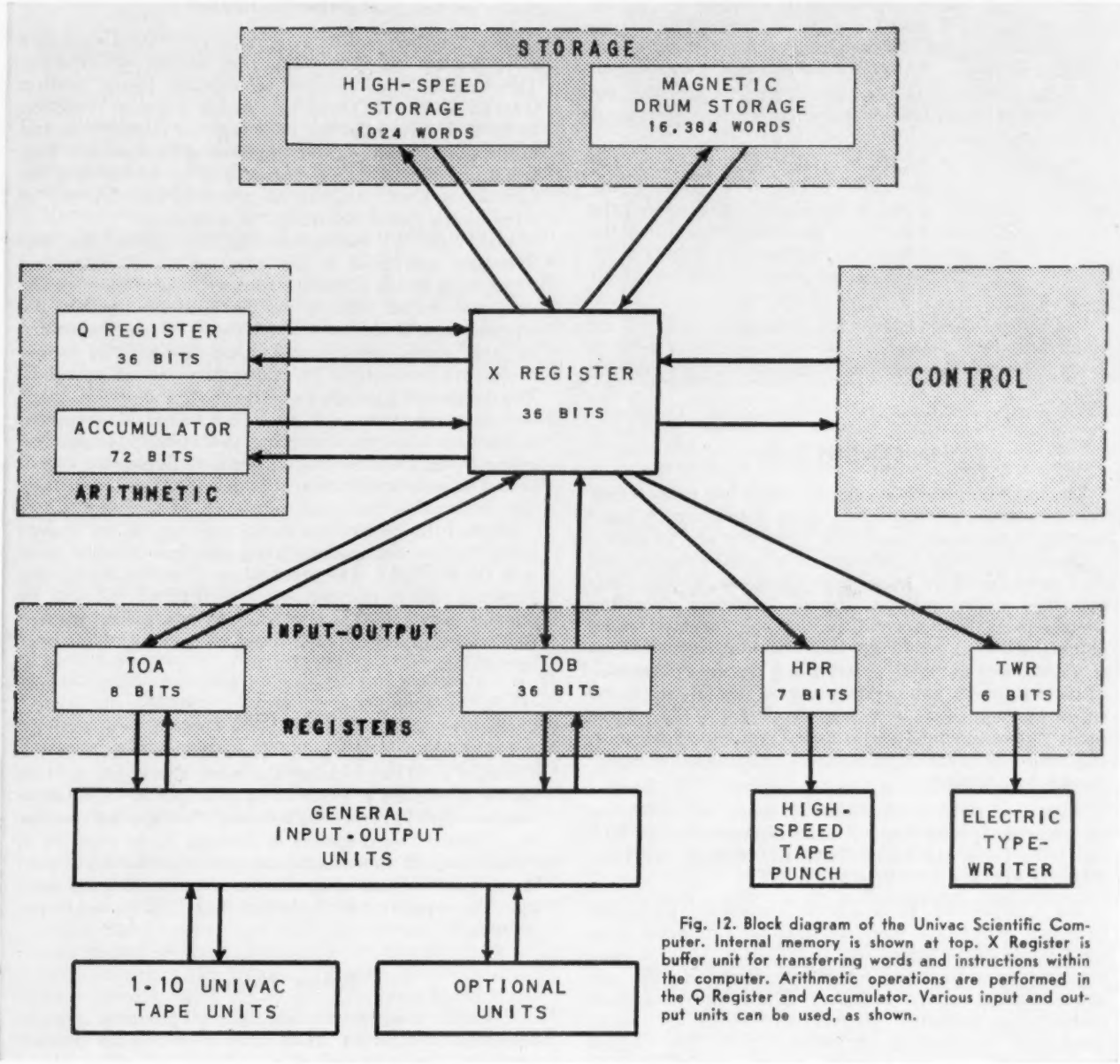


Fig. 12. Block diagram of the Univac Scientific Computer. Internal memory is shown at top. X Register is buffer unit for transferring words and instructions within the computer. Arithmetic operations are performed in the Q Register and Accumulator. Various input and output units can be used, as shown.

Storage

A functional block diagram of the computer is shown in Fig. 12. The internal memory (top) consists of 16,384 registers of magnetic-drum storage, and 1024 registers of high-speed magnetic-core storage. Additional registers of high-speed storage are available in increments of 1024, to a total of 4096 (Fig. 13). Supplementary memory is provided by up to ten external Univac magnetic-tape units (Fig. 2) which operate under program control. These units make the computer's input and output tapes compatible with the Univac High-Speed Printer, Tape-to-Card Converter, and other equipment from the Univac business system (described previously).

All of the 17,408 to 20,480 registers of magnetic-drum and high-speed storage are individually addressed, and each may be directly referred to by the instructions in the program. This direct-access property, combined with an interlace feature which staggers the physical location of consecutively addressed drum locations, increases the effective speed of the machine. The running time for a routine stored on the drum, with its operands in high-speed storage, may be made comparable with the running time for the same routine with both instructions and operands in high-speed storage. For many problems this has the effect of multiplying the effective capacity of high-speed storage by a substantial factor.

X Register

Most of the internal word transmissions in the Univac Scientific takes place by way of a 36-bit buffer unit known as the *X register*, which is a simple static register. This register holds the multiplicand and the divisor during multiplication and division.

Arithmetic Section

The two principal units of the *arithmetic section* are the *Q register* and the *accumulator*. The 36-bit Q register holds the multiplier, the quotient, or (in some instructions) a logical operator.

The second arithmetic unit is the 72-bit accumulator. Numbers are added to or subtracted from the least sig-

nificant 36 bits of the accumulator; in other words, the computer's arithmetic treats numbers as integers whose binary point is at the extreme right. A succession of 36-bit quantities may thus be added into this truly double-length accumulator without overflow. Furthermore, the full 72-bit product of two 36-bit quantities may be formed in the accumulator.

Through the MULTIPLY ADD instruction, the full product of two numbers in storage may be added to the previous contents of the accumulator. In division, the accumulator initially contains the dividend, and at the end holds the remainder. The machine will handle a 72-bit dividend, but the quotient must fall within 36-bit range.

Both Q and the accumulator can be addressed like the other memory registers so that instructions may refer to these two arithmetic units as sources or destinations for operands.

Input-Output Units

The input-output section can accommodate many terminal equipments, as required by each installation. A high-speed tape punch and an electric typewriter are necessary.

Optional terminal equipment includes card-reading and card-punching units, line-at-a-time printers, special magnetic-tape units, analog-to-digital converters operating from sensing instruments, oscilloscope displays, point plotters, data-link modulator and demodulator units, and signal circuits to process-controlling devices. Communication with these units takes place by way of two *in-out registers*, (the 8-bit IOA and the 36-bit IOB). These registers permit simultaneous use of many external units, and allow computation to proceed while terminal equipment is functioning.

There are three instructions by means of which the computer deals with external units connected to the IOA and IOB. These are EXTERNAL FUNCTION, EXTERNAL READ, and EXTERNAL WRITE.

The EXTERNAL FUNCTION instruction (EF-v) selects and activates a piece of terminal equipment in a specified mode of operation. (Symbols v, j, n, w, etc., represent numbers which would specifically identify and locate a word and its address.) This is the instruction whereby the computer program can reach out, so to speak, and push buttons on external units. The selected operation may involve a single data transfer to or from IOB (as in interrogating a shaft-position digitizer or plotting a single point on an X-Y plotter) or it may be a "free-running" operation (as reading or punching of a succession of lines on Teletype tape). The unit and its mode of operation are designated by a 36-bit code stored at the address v given in the instruction.

A selected external unit will either deposit information in (or read information from) the in-out register to which it is connected. In the first case, the computer must be able to pick up and utilize the quantity so deposited. The EXTERNAL READ instruction (ERjv) causes the contents of IOA or IOB (as specified by j) to be transmitted to the memory location (of address v). In the second case, the computer must deposit information in the in-out register for the external unit to pick up. The EXTERNAL WRITE instruction (EWjv) performs this operation, by transmitting a word from the memory location or arithmetic register (specified by v) to IOA or IOB (specified by j).

By means of these in-out instructions and registers, the Univac Scientific can communicate with external equipment at rates up to about 25,000 words per second.

Automatic Repeat

In a real-time system, it is important that a computer make efficient use of operating time and storage capacity. The Univac Scientific has an unusual logical feature through which it is possible to realize a sizable reduction in the time spent referring to storage for instructions, and in the storage space devoted to holding instructions. This feature is the REPEAT instruction, by which long sequences of operations can be governed by only two or three instructional references to storage.

THE REPEAT instruction (RPjnw) causes the next following instruction in the program to be executed n times, after which memory address w is consulted for the next instruction. The u and v addresses within the *repeated* instruction may be advanced by one each time. In other words, the repeated instruction may be caused to operate successively on consecutive sets of operands. The designator j specifies whether both u and v, or either one, or neither one, will be so advanced. The repeated instruction with its advancing execution addresses remains in the program control registers during the repetition. The memory location at which the repeated instruction is stored is consulted only once, at the start.

Most of the instructions in the repertory of the Univac Scientific are designed to have significance when used with the REPEAT. The practical result is that, by writing simply a pair of instructions (the REPEAT followed by another instruction), we in effect write a special instruction which directs the high-speed execution of a *series* of operations.

Block Transfer

Let us illustrate this point. The instruction TRANSMIT POSITIVE (TPuv) causes the word at address u to be copied at address v. If we set up a simple two-instruction routine—RP(011)nw—TPu_1v_1—we effect a block transfer of n words from registers u_1 through u_n to registers v_1 through v_n. If the transmissions are within high-speed storage, or between magnetic-drum and high-speed storage, the transfer rate is better than 30,000 *words* per second.

Scalar Product

Consider now the accumulation of products. The instruction MULTIPLY ADD (MAuv) causes the product of the numbers located at u and v to be added to the number already in the accumulator, leaving the full result in the 72-bit accumulator. If we cause MULTIPLY ADD to be repeated—RP(011)nw—MAu_1v_1—we generate the scalar product of two n-vectors. If the numbers are all in high-speed storage, the accumulation proceeds at approximately 3000 products per second.

This ability to form scalar products at a rapid rate, together with other manipulative features of the machine's logic, give it a correspondingly high speed in the multiplication of matrices. This suggests that real-time problems involving simultaneous equations might be effectively handled by matrix inversion techniques.

Linear Smoothing

We have seen how the REPEAT instruction leads to the high-speed accumulation of products and the high-speed transfer of a block of words. Let us now examine how these two compound operations can be applied to linear smoothing, a process common to many real-time control problems.

Suppose it is desired to compute a function y(T) which is expressed as a linear combination of the several re-

cently sampled values of a variable x. Let us consider only the current value and the five preceding values of x, sampled at known fixed intervals of time. Our routine becomes RP(011)(6)w—MAu$_1$v$_1$ to compute the value, and RP(011)(6)w—TPu$_2$v$_1$ to update the sample.

The w's (the constants of the weighting sequence) are stored at 6 consecutive addresses (u$_1$ through u$_6$), and the values of x are stored in 6 consecutive addresses (v$_1$ through v$_6$) in reverse chronological order. The computation of the function is simply the formation of a scalar product through the use of a repeated MULTIPLY ADD instruction. The reverse order of addressing has no effect on the scalar product computation, but is helpful in updating the x's for the next computation of y. We must replace the former current value of x with the incoming new value (which has in the meantime been deposited at address v$_7$) and then move each successively older value of x back by one position.

This is accomplished by programming a regressive form of block transfer, which transmits the word at v$_2$ to v$_1$, then v$_3$ to v$_2$, and so forth, until finally the new x at v$_7$ is transmitted to v$_6$. This process requires only two instructions.

Radix Conversion

In many instances the computer, when a part of a control or data-reduction system, must accept or deliver numbers in decimal form. An effective method for converting decimal to binary numbers makes use of the scalar-product routine. With a pair of instructions— RP(011)nw—MAu$_1$v$_1$—we simply accumulate the products of the binary-coded decimal digits of a number by their corresponding powers of ten, expressed in binary form. This again uses merely the REPEAT and MULTIPLY ADD instructions. A 10-digit decimal number is converted to binary numbers by this method in about 2.6 milliseconds.

The reverse conversion, from binary to decimal, is accomplished with a repeated division, RP(011)nw—DVu$_1$v$_1$. The DIVIDE instruction (DVuv) causes the number in the 72-bit accumulator to be divided by the number at address u. The binary numbers to be converted are originally placed in the accumulator. The quotients (the binary-coded decimal digits) are placed in address v, and a positive remainder is left in the accumulator. The DIVIDE instruction is designed so that, if it is preceded by a REpeat instruction, and if descending powers of ten (stored in locations u$_1$ throught u$_n$) are brought in as successive divisors of the diminishing remainder, then the series of quotients are the binary-coded digits of the decimal representation of the number originally stored in the accumulator. These quotients are deposited at a consecutive series of addresses. A 10-digit decimal number is produced by this pair of instructions in about 5.4 milliseconds.

Cyclic Routines

The foregoing discussion has dwelt largely on the REPEAT instruction, which directs the repeated execution of a single two-address instruction. The question is frequently asked, "How does one handle the cyclic repetition of a routine consisting of a number of instructions?"

The usual process for traversing a repetitive loop a predetermined number of times is to set up a counting index and then, after each iteration of the loop, subtract one from this index, and then test it for zero. In the Univac Scientific, an instruction called the INDEX JUMP compresses into one instruction the reference to the stored index, the subtraction, the test, and the storing of the new value of the index. Written IJuv, is subtracts one from the number at u, returns the result to v, tests to see if the number has turned negative. If not, the loop is reentered by jump to v; if it has, the program continues to the next successive instruction.

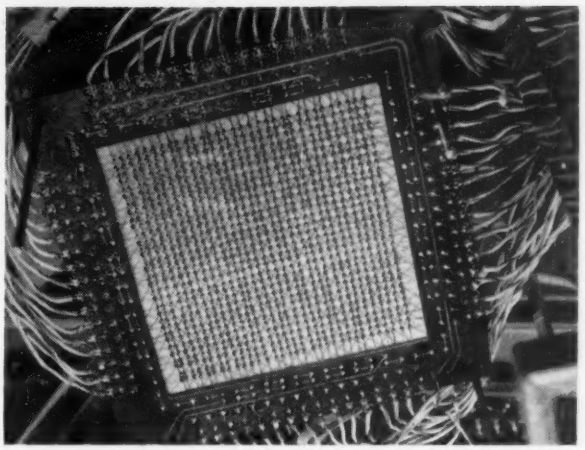


Fig. 13. New magnetic-core high-speed storage element for the UNIVAC Scientific and UNIVAC II features 1024 cores on one plane. Any core can be selected by energizing one of the 32 vertical leads and one of the 32 horizontal leads in the matrix.

Self Checking

We are asked frequently whether or not self-checking is a requirement for real-time applications. Field experience to date leads us to believe that, for the commercial, off-line applications familiar to business data-processing, self-checking is essential. However, in real-time work, self-checking can not be tolerated because an inherent feature of self-checking is that all computation stop at the instant an error is detected. Consider a time-critical process being carried forth under the control of a computer. If the control were relinquished when the computer momentarily malfunctioned, the result could be disastrous.

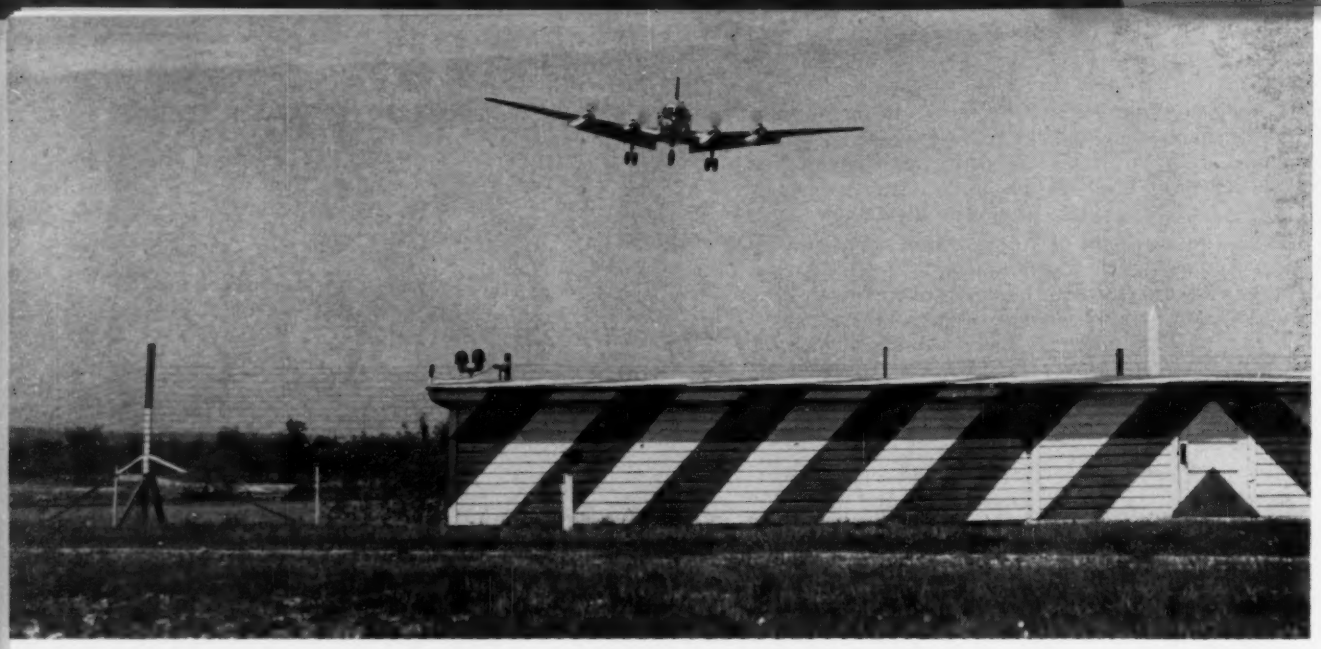
In lieu of self-checking, one must rely on the storage of, shall we say, "tables of tolerable limits." These tables will contain extreme limits within which computations and readings must fall. Critical readings and computations must be constantly compared with the tables as a means of detecting machine errors. Naturally, storage of these tables requires that the real-time computer have a large and easily referenced internal memory. The Univac Scientific, as we have seen, has these features.

Properly used, the Univac Scientific can be adapted to almost any major processing operation involving large-scale manipulations of information, working with external instrumentation or control apparatus. It can be used as the central control for many complex physical systems in real-time, on-line work.

UNIVAC II

The new Remington Rand Univac II magnetic-core electronic computer is a powerful business computer, with double the speed and capacity of the Univac.

Univac II does not use magnetic-drum or acoustic delay-line memory; it relies on the new magnetic-core memory (Fig. 13). The expanded 24,000-character high-speed magnetic-core memory is designed so that, at the user's option it can be supplemented with additional cores to hold 120,000 characters. With the magnetic core, the Univac II can execute instructions at the rate of 8,000 per second.



Instrument Landing System ground transmitters (in low building) transmit radio beams which guide pilot to a safe landing, even under low ceilings and visibility.

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

BASICALLY, we have two big problems—first, a decreasing amount of available airspace and second, an ever increasing amount of air traffic. This double problem makes for the classic vicious circle.

THE AIRSPACE PROBLEM

CAA standards for instrument-flight-rules weather require 10 minutes' separation between aircraft operating at the same altitude. Add to that the 1,000 feet of vertical separation required between levels of flight and you can readily see how much airspace is used up in the operation of 70,000 miles of low-frequency airways and approximately an equal amount of VHF airways.

Clamor for reserved airspace comes from many sources —the military services require large blocks for air and ground gunnery; there are restricted and prohibited areas over atomic plants and atomic testing grounds; tall television and radio towers have been erected; flying is prohibited over a large section of downtown Washington. There are now some 450 restricted areas.

And last but not least we have jet aircraft. The space-consuming jet penetration and missed-approach procedures tie up large parcels of airspace in terminal areas. . . . The jet problem extends up above the terminal areas to the high altitudes. At 29,000 feet and above, vertical separation of 2,000 feet is required while still maintaining the 10-minute horizontal separation. This has the effect of reducing the amount of available airspace above 29,000 feet by one-half.

These are the airspace problems. What are we doing to solve them?

Airspace Panel

The Washington Airspace Panel of the Air Coordinating Committee . . . has done a tremendous job in conserving our airspace. We will continue to look to it for sound recommendations.

Rapcon

Also on the positive side is the RAPCON, or Radar Approach Control Center program, operated jointly by the Air Force and the CAA. This cooperative venture in traffic control permits a sharing of the airspace at locations where there is a heavy concentration of traffic brought about by proximity of a civilian terminal and an Air Force installation.

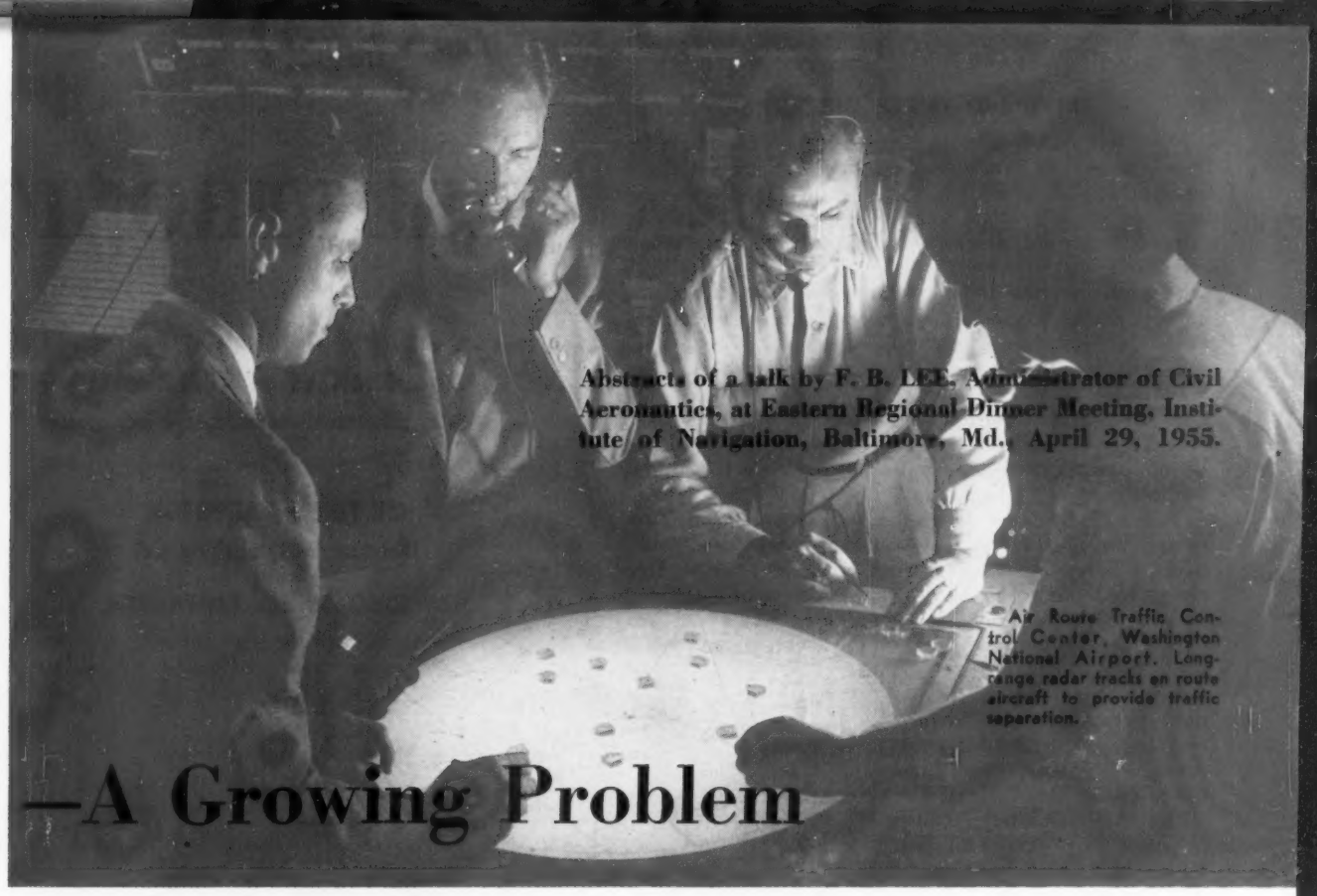
A standard RAPCON installation consists of three surveillance and two precision approach radar units. Under the program the CAA operates the surveillance radar units while the Air Force operates the precision approach radar for actual landings at military bases under instrument-flight-rules conditions. Generally, the landing aids at civil airports in the RAPCON areas are Instrument Landing System installations.

The RAPCON program has been very successful to date. There are now three such centers in operation out of the 18 which eventually will be in use.

Radar Air Traffic Control Center

I can report, also, that the CAA and the Navy Department have held preliminary talks regarding the establishment of a similar program between the two agencies. The Navy version of the RAPCON program is known as Radar Air Traffic Control Center. They will serve fundamentally the same purpose as the RAPCONS, that of permitting more effective use of airspace.

No decisions have been made as to how we shall control the airspace over the 25,000 foot level. The problem still is in the study stage and we are searching for realistic, practical solutions. One of the problems which must be solved in employing this type of control would be the method of presenting the required information on our air route traffic control centers. The old standard flight data strip, which has been the backbone of en route control for many years, might have to be changed. It may be that we shall have to go to panoramic-type displays.



Abstracts of a talk by F. B. LEE, Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, at Eastern Regional Dinner Meeting, Institute of Navigation, Baltimore, Md., April 29, 1955.

Air Route Traffic Control Center, Washington National Airport. Long-range radar tracks en route aircraft to provide traffic separation.

—A Growing Problem

AIR TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

Unlike airspace, air traffic is tangible and concrete. We can deal with it if we have the proper tools . . . the over-all problem is controlling air traffic safely and smoothly along the airways and into terminal areas.

The volume of traffic along the airways is best presented by the number of fix postings (position reports of en route aircraft).

In 1948 the CAA Air Traffic Control Centers handled approximately 8.5 million fix postings. The year 1951 showed an increase in fix postings up to 11.8 million, and it jumped to 16.8 million in 1954, an increase of 12 percent over the 1953 figure. The year 1954 represents an average of 46,000 fix postings in every 24-hour period in our 27 continental and four territorial Centers.

Just a year ago the CAA predicted that the fix postings would number 24 million by 1960. This would be almost double the 1952 total. We have looked a little further into the future and have come up with a yet unpublished prediction of 28 million fix postings by 1965.

Control Tower Problem

The increase in fix postings during the past year is, of course, reflected in the figures for traffic handled at terminal areas, one of the trouble spots in our air traffic control picture. CAA air traffic control towers handled 17.9 million aircraft movements during 1954. This was an increase of 1.1 million over 1953, or a seven percent gain.

Danger signals have appeared to impress upon us the need for new equipment and improved techniques. The most recent and ominous appeared in New York area on September 15, 16, 17, 1954. It will be a long time before the traffic controllers in the three major airports in the New York area forget those three days. They refer to the whole period as "Black Friday." At one point, for nearly an hour we were not accepting any flight plans whatsoever. Inbound delays were running up to 90 minutes at La Guardia. Outbound delays ran up to one hour, 53 minutes at Newark. Idlewild was in no better shape. This all took place while our controllers racked up an all time record for IFR operations for one day in the New York area.

The delays around New York during those three days were felt far to the North, South, and West. We believe we now have the New York situation well in hand. The Air Force generously made available a radar with a range of 100 miles. We strengthened our controller force and put in additional flight progress boards and more channels for direct communications from the Center to pilots in the area.

We are in the process of establishing a new Air Route Traffic Control Center at Idlewild where we will have a permanent long-range radar of our own. This new Center should be ready for operation some time this year.

We are in the process of taking further steps to correct the situation at New York. After intensive study, we have decided to install another Instrument Landing System at Idlewild Airport. When installed, it will make the first time that two ILS systems have served the same airport.

What happened in New York can happen elsewhere. In order to reach solutions before the situation becomes acute in any area, we have successfully used the Dynamic Air Traffic Control Simulator at our Technical Development and Evaluation Center at Indianapolis. By use of the device, which is a joint project of the CAA and the Air Navigation Development Board, it now is possible to project and solve the traffic problem at any location right in our Indianapolis laboratory using experienced air traffic controllers and pilots of simulated aircraft.

We in CAA believe one of the solutions to the en route traffic problem would be in the use by CAA controllers of existing military air defense radar . . . we now are conducting a study to determine how best to provide full radar coverage for en route traffic between the heavily congested areas between Norfolk and Boston, and New York and Chicago.

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DIVIDE-BY-THREE CIRCUIT

Pulse feedback is used to make two flip-flops divide by three (instead of four) in this circuit. When the third input pulse is received, the second flip-flop feeds a pulse back to the first; thus one of the four conditions is skipped. Neon indicators I1 and I2 indicate the flip-flop condition.

Suppose that the left-hand halves of both tubes are initially conducting, with both neons lit (we refer to this as the "on" condition for the flip-flops).

1. First input pulse turns V1 off; output from V1 turns V2 off.
2. Second input pulse turns V1 on; V2 remains off.
3. Third input pulse initially turns V1 off, bringing V2 on, but negative-going pulse fed back via R1-C1 immediately turns V1 back on.

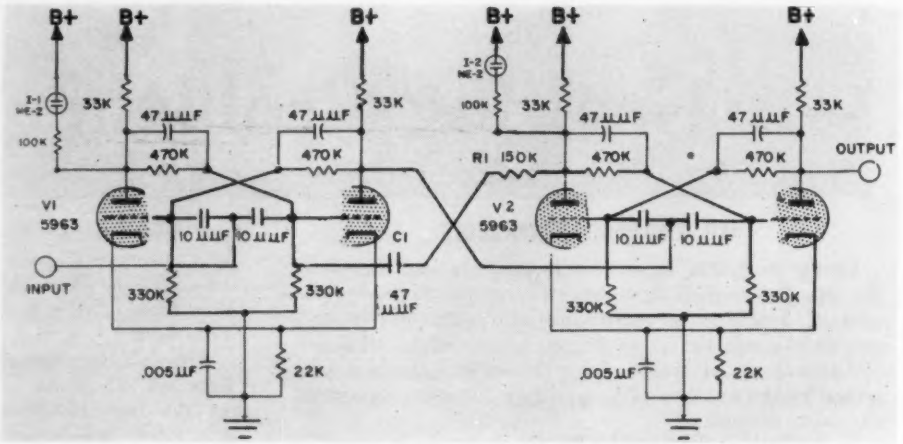
Thus in three input pulses the original condition is restored, and the process may continue indefinitely. Additional flip-flops may be cascaded with the scale-of-three circuit to divide by six or twelve. Similar techniques may be used for other ratios—for example, to divide by seven using three flip-flops (see next circuit). Circuits are available in plug-in form from supplier.

Input Signal: 80 v negative pulse or square wave, frequency range 0-40 kc. Minimum duration: 7 usec. Rise time: 0.5 to 3 usec.

Output: Amplitude: 100 v no load, 93 v maximum load. Rise time: positive-going, 8 usec; negative-going, 2 usec.

B supply: 200 v dc at 7 ma.

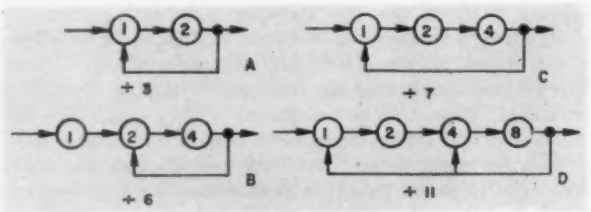
Source: EECo Production Co., 827 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.



Divide-by-three circuit →

DIVIDING WITH BINARIES

The preceding circuit shows how two binaries (count-by-two) circuits can be made to count by threes, or divide by three. Binaries can be made to divide by any number by appropriate feedback. A technique for telling



exactly what end count will be with any circuit is to write the numbers 1, 2, 4, 8, . . . in the schematic and subtract the numbers to which feedback is applied from total count.

In example A, two binaries without feedback count by 4's. Subtract 1 from 4 and result is a count-by-3 circuit.

In example B, 3 binaries without feedback count by 8. Subtract 2 from 8; thus the circuit is a count-by-6.

In example C, the 3 binaries would count by 8 without feedback. Subtract 1 from 8; therefore, the circuit is a count-by-7 circuit.

In example D, the four binaries would count by 16 without feedback. With feedback as shown, subtract 5 from 16, and circuit divides by 11.

TRANSISTOR VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER

Low input-impedance and high output-impedance characteristics of transistors often are obstacles to their use as voltage amplifiers. One approach is transformer coupling. In this circuit, however, negative feedback is used to increase input impedance and to lower output impedance to levels comparable with those obtained from a dual-triode tube. Feedback also increases circuit stability. Two type 2521 transistors provide a voltage gain of 15 at audio frequencies. Primary of a high-impedance transformer was used for the audio choke shown. Power consumption of amplifier is less than one tenth that of a comparable dual-triode vacuum-tube amplifier using subminiature type 6112.

Voltage gain: 15.

Input impedance: 450,000 ohms.

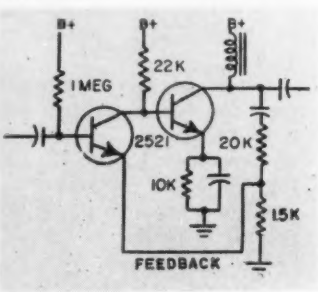
Output impedance: 550 ohms.

Output voltage: 3 v rms.

Load resistance: 400,000 ohms or higher.

B supply: 30 v dc at 5 ma.

Source: Stanley Shenkerman, W. L. Maxson Corp., N. Y., in *Electronics*, Nov., 1954.

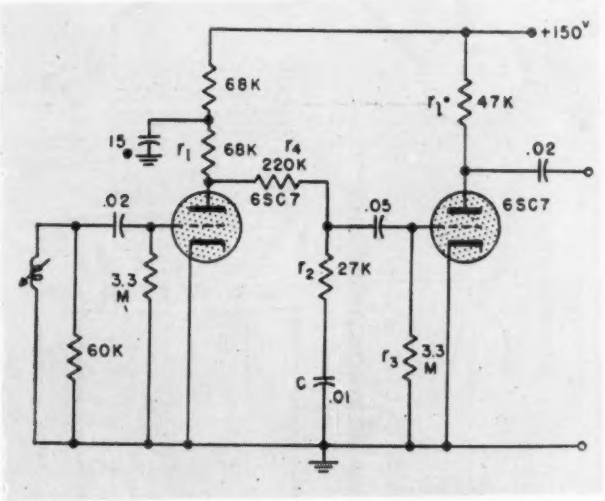


CIRCUITRY

The circuit is the heart of all electronics. Here are six more basic and interesting circuits. Unless marked, resistors are in ohms, capacitors in microfarads.

MINIATURE OSCILLOSCOPE

Scope tube, positioning controls, intensity controls and resistor divider string have been built into a package requiring no more panel space than a standard panel



meter using this simple circuit. One-inch-diameter 1CP1 cathode-ray tube (Cossor) requires no focus control. Frequency response depends on external amplifiers. Unit is Model 90901 oscilloscope of manufacturer.

A Supply: 6.3 v at 0.6 a.

B Supply: 600 to 900 v dc at 3.2 ma.

Sensitivity: Vertical, 4.7 v per mm; horizontal, 6.9 v per mm.

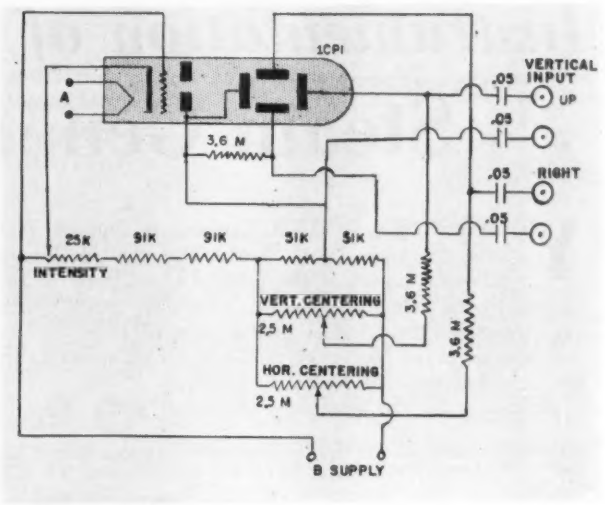
Source: James Millen Mfg. Co., Malden 48, Mass.

VARIABLE-RELUCTANCE-PICKUP PREAMP

This preamplifier boosts the output of a variable-reluctance phonograph pickup to the level required to drive the usual power amplifier, and provides the low-frequency equalization required to compensate for the recording characteristic. Equalization (18 db down at 800 cps relative to 50 cps) is provided by network R4-R2-C. The 60,000-ohm resistor across the pickup is the value required by one popular type of pickup for proper high frequency response. Cost was evidently a prime consideration in the design of this circuit: cathode resistors and the heavy bypass capacitors that would be required have been eliminated; grid bias is obtained by grid current in the 3.3-megohm grid resistors.

Input signal: 10 millivolts

Output level: 1 volt



Gain: 40 db

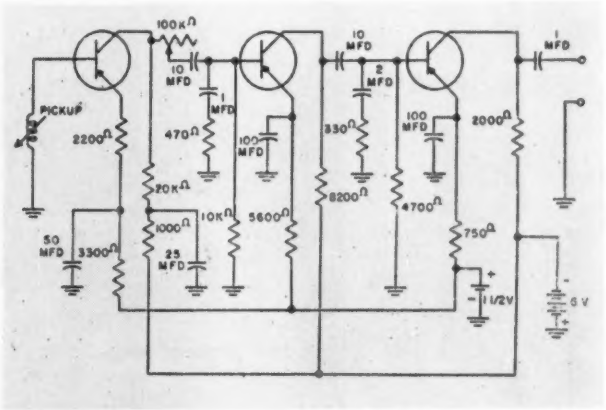
Noise Factor: 50 db at 50 cps.

B Supply: 150 v at 12 ma (2 watts)

Source: R. F. Shea, *Electrical Engineering*, April, 1954.

TRANSISTORIZED PREAMP

A comparison of transistors and tubes performing same function is of great current interest. A tube has nearly infinite current (or power) amplification, but a voltage gain of about 50 (for triodes) or 200 (for pentodes); a transistor has current gain of about unity (grounded-base amplifier) or 50 (grounded-emitter amplifier)—but a



voltage gain that can exceed 2000. Other basic differences: tube input resistance is megohms, transistor is 50 ohms (grounded base) or 1000 (grounded emitter). Output resistance of tube is 10,000 to 50,000 ohms; 20,000 to 2,000,000 for transistors.

General Electric 2N43 p-n-p transistors are used to produce this circuit with the same frequency-response specifications as the circuit preceding this one. This permits a direct comparison of circuits as to components required. The lower impedance of transistor input and output necessitates use of larger-valued capacitors, and use of two compensating networks to effect same frequency-response compensation. Note that power requirements for this circuit is only 15 mw, compared to 2000 mw for tube circuit, not including heater power.

Input resistance: 60,000 ohms

Over-all gain: 60 db (factor of 1000),

Undistorted output: 2 milliwatts

Power required: 15 milliwatts

Signal to noise factor: 50 db at 50 cps

Source: R. F. Shea, *Electrical Engineering*, April 1954.

Instrumentation of a Modern
Steam Generating Facility

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT, which is comprised of both the Ohio Steel Works and the McDonald Mills, is a part of the Central Operations of the United States Steel Corporation. The Ohio Steel Works supplies semi-finished steel in the form of slabs, billets, and blooms to the McDonald Mills, about six miles away, for finishing into bar and strip products.

All power for the district is generated at 25 cycles in the Ohio Works Power House. This power is transmitted over high-tension lines to the electrified McDonald finishing mills, and distributed to the general Ohio Works system for auxiliary drive requirements.

In August, 1953, a new 15,000-kw topping turbo generator was put into operation to replace seven blast-furnace-gas-powered engines having a total rated capacity of 17,200 kw. Two of these gas-powered engines were replaced in 1949 by two 2,500-kw frequency changers to convert purchased 60-cycle power to 25 cycles. The new

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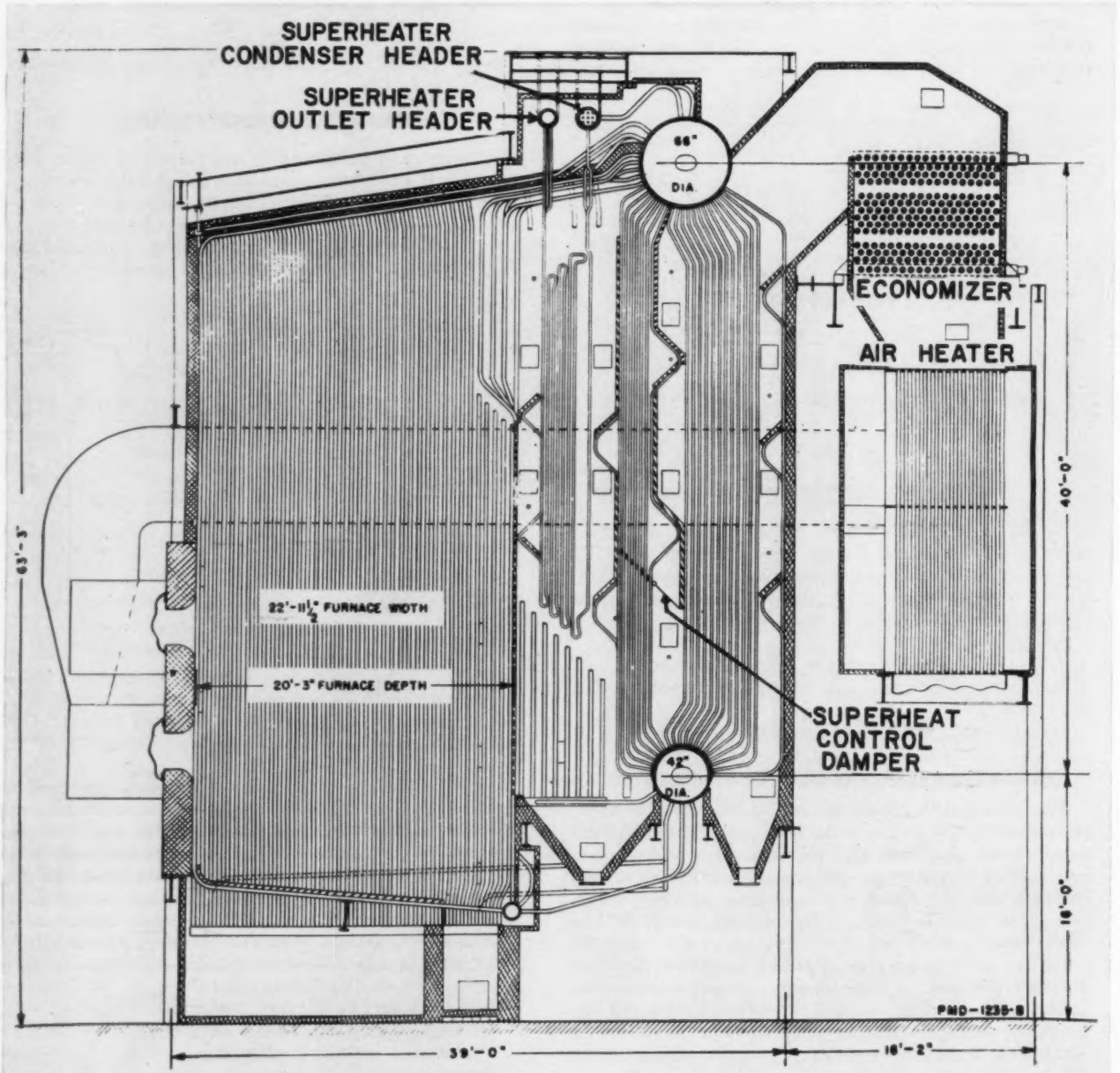

Fig. 1. Cross section of new blast-furnace-gas-fired boiler with capacity of 250,000 lb/hr, supplying steam at 900 psig and 900 deg F.T.T. (Courtesy Foster Wheeling Corp.)

Two new blast-furnace-gas-fired boilers with capacity of 250,000 lb/hr each, supplying steam at 900 psig and 900 deg F were put in operation in 1953. Here is a complete résumé of the boiler system and its instrumentation.

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15,000-kw topping turbo generator, along with two 15,000-kw condensing turbo generators (installed in 1926) gives the district a total rated 25-cycle generating-capacity of 45,000 kw plus a stand-by frequency-changer capacity of 5,000 kw (supplied by a public-utility connection that also supplies about 3,000 kw of 60-cycle power).

Steam Generating Units

Two new 950-psig 900-deg-F blast-furnace-gas-fired boilers, with a rated capacity of 250,000 lb/hr each, were put into operation in July and August, 1953, to supply steam at 900 psig and 900 deg F.T.T. to the throttle of the new topping turbo generator. This boiler house, to be known as No. 10 Boiler House, in combination with the new topping turbo generator, made it possible to achieve low power costs for the plant, while utilizing the maximum amount of blast-furnace gas available, and permitting the abandonment of a boiler house consisting of six underfeed-stoker-fired boilers.

The two new boilers are identical (Fig. 1) and each has a predicted performance indicated in Table 1. Note

Table 1.—Predicted Performance of New Boiler with Various Fuels. (Courtesy Foster Wheeling Corp.)

	Blast-Furnace Gas			*Oil*	*Natural Gas*
Steam Generated (lb/hr)	165,000	250,000	275,000	275,000	275,000
Steam Pressure (psig)					
Boiler drum	963	979	985	985	985
Superheater outlet	950	950	950	950	950
Temperatures (degrees F)					
Steam at superheater outlet	900	900	900	900	900
Feed water entering unit	220	220	220	220	220
Feed water leaving economizer	385	431	430	351	347
Air entering unit	80	80	80	80	80
Air leaving air heater	390	446	455	308	311
Gas leaving furnace	1,695	1,835	1,870	2,125	2,090
Gas leaving boiler	769	865	884	811	798
Gas leaving economizer	502	590	608	504	503
Gas leaving air heater	387	452	469	328	331
Excess air at air heater exit (percent)	30	30	30	24	18
Wet gas at air heater exit (lb/hr)	421,000	662,000	732,000	400,000	390,000
Air weight entering unit (lb/hr)	168,000	265,000	293,000	341,000	335,000
Drafts (inches H_2O)					
In furnace	.10	.10	.10	.10	.10
Loss thru boiler	1.00	2.33	2.88	.86	.85
Loss thru superheater	.25	.58	.70	.50	.50
Loss thru economizer	1.13	2.39	2.85	.95	.89
Loss thru air heater	.54	1.39	1.75	.41	.41
Loss thru flues	.13	.32	.41	.13	.12
Total draft loss	3.15	7.11	8.69	2.95	2.87
Air Pressure (inches H_2O)					
Loss thru air heater	.94	2.20	2.75	3.3	3.3
Loss thru ducts	.47	1.20	1.50	2.3	2.2
In wind box	1.80	4.10	4.90	5.5	5.4
Total air pressure	3.21	7.50	9.15	11.1	10.9
Fuel					
Burned (cfm)	48,800	76,100	84,200		
Burned (lb/hr)				22,000	19,250
Calorific Value (BTU/cu ft)	86.9	86.9	86.9		
Calorific Value (BTU/lb)				18,550	22,150
Liberation (BTU/hr/cu ft total volume)	12,380	19,250	21,350	19,850	20,750
Heat Losses (percent)					
Dry Gas	12.0	14.6	15.2	5.5	4.9
Hydrogen & Moisture in fuel	2.5	2.5	2.5	6.4	10.8
Moisture in air	.3	.3	.4	.2	.2
Radiation	1.0	.5	.5	.5	.5
Unaccounted for	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Total losses	17.3	19.4	20.1	14.1	17.9
Efficiency (percent)	82.7	80.6	79.9	85.9	82.1

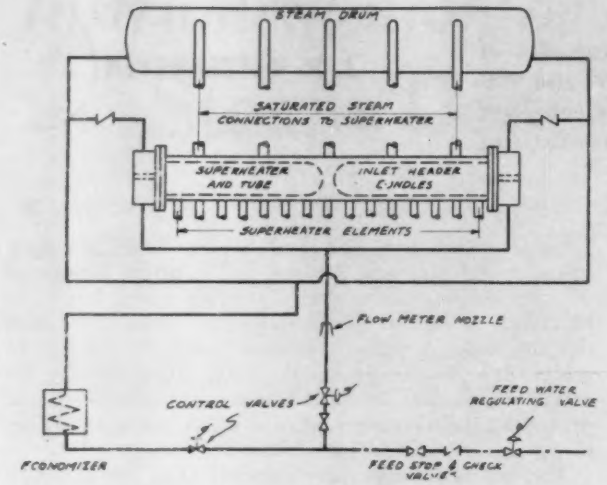


Fig. 2. Steam temperature control. (Courtesy Bailey Meter Co.)

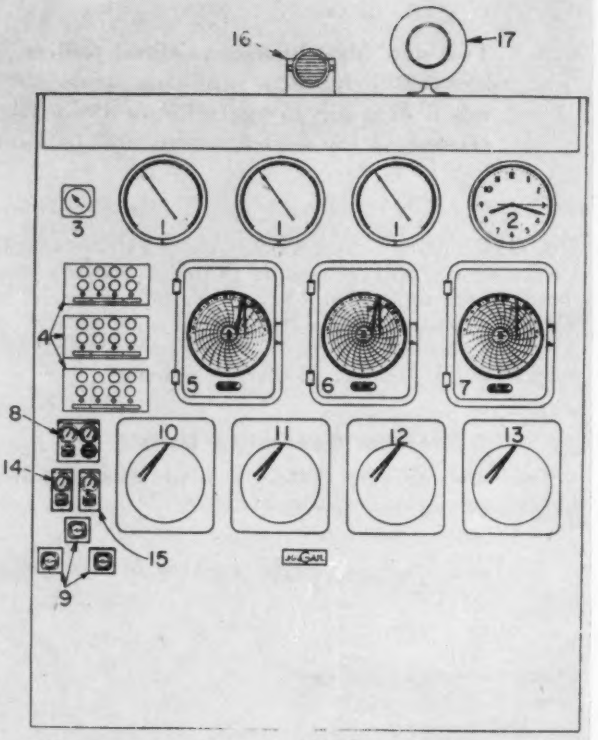


Fig. 3. Master panel. Units (1) are pressure gages for high-pressure header, plant steam header, and feed water header. Units (4) are annunciators. Unit (5) is natural-gas flow and pressure recorder. Unit (13) is blast-furnace-gas pressure and temperature recorder. Units (6 and 7) are plant and auxiliary steam flows. Unit (8) is master relay. Units (16 and 17) are horn and siren.

Table 2.—Heating Surfaces and Furnace Volume

Boiler	18,000 sq ft
Water Walls	8,750 sq ft
Superheater (Conv.)	5,800 sq ft
Economizer	15,700 sq ft
Air Heater	31,600 sq ft
Furnace Volume	20,600 cu ft

that the performance is shown for blast-furnace gas, fuel oil, and natural gas, although blast-furnace gas is the only fuel installed. However, the burners are designed to handle any fuel by adding the necessary parts.

The boiler is a vertical two-drum type with water-cooled walls and a water-cooled furnace bottom. The lower or mud drum is 42 inches in diameter; the upper or steam drum is 66 inches in diameter.

The *steam drum* internals consist of a 4-inch feed pipe, a 1-inch chemical feed pipe, and a 1-inch continuous blowdown pipe. All of these pipes extend the entire length of the drum and have small holes equally spaced for even distribution. Along one side of the drum are 30 horizontal separators, which separate the steam and water entering the drum from the boiler and water wall tubes. The water is discharged down below the water level, and the steam flows to the top of the drum through 13 chevron-type purifiers, and out to the superheater-inlet header.

The *superheater* (Figs. 1 and 2) is a vertical single-pass type consisting of four loops, with provision for a fifth loop. It is suspended from the inlet and outlet headers located above the furnace roof, and it lies in the first pass of the boiler.

There are four *burners*, two upper and two lower. Natural gas is used for the continuously burning pilots. The economizer is a horizontal continuous-loop tubular type with tubes connecting to inlet and outlet headers, and is of the counterflow design.

All heating surfaces are tabulated in Table 2.

Forced-Draft Fans

Each boiler is equipped with one forced-draft fan, which is of the heavy-duty double-inlet backward-curved type. Each fan requires 291 brake horsepower at its rating of 90,000 cfm of air, at 16 inches static pressure, and 1453 rpm with air at 100 deg F.

They are driven by geared steam turbines with a rating of 300 HP at 4,884 rpm. The steam conditions at the throttle are 280 psig and 600 deg F.

Induced-Draft Fans

Each boiler is equipped with one induced-draft fan, which is a heavy-duty type, double-inlet multivane, equipped with inlet vane control. It is driven by geared steam turbines rated at 1,400 hp at 5,473 rpm. The steam conditions and method of governing are the same as for the forced-draft fan drives.

Boiler Feed Pumps

There are three horizontal barrel-type boiler feed pumps with inner and outer casing. Each pump is rated at 800 gpm (approximately 400,000 lb/hr) at 3,100-ft total dynamic head when operating at 3,560 rpm. The pumps are driven by steam turbines rated at 800 hp at 3,600 rpm. The steam conditions at the throttle and method of governing are the same as for the forced-draft fans. Overheating of the pump at low output is prevented by bypassing to the deaerating heater.

Blast-Furnace-Gas Precipitators

Two new single-unit wet tubular-type electrostatic precipitators were installed in parallel to clean primary washed blast-furnace gas before use in the boilers. Each precipitator has a capacity of 90,000 cfm with saturated gas entering at 100 to 130 deg F and 8 to 40 inches static water pressure. The guaranteed efficiency is 93 percent,

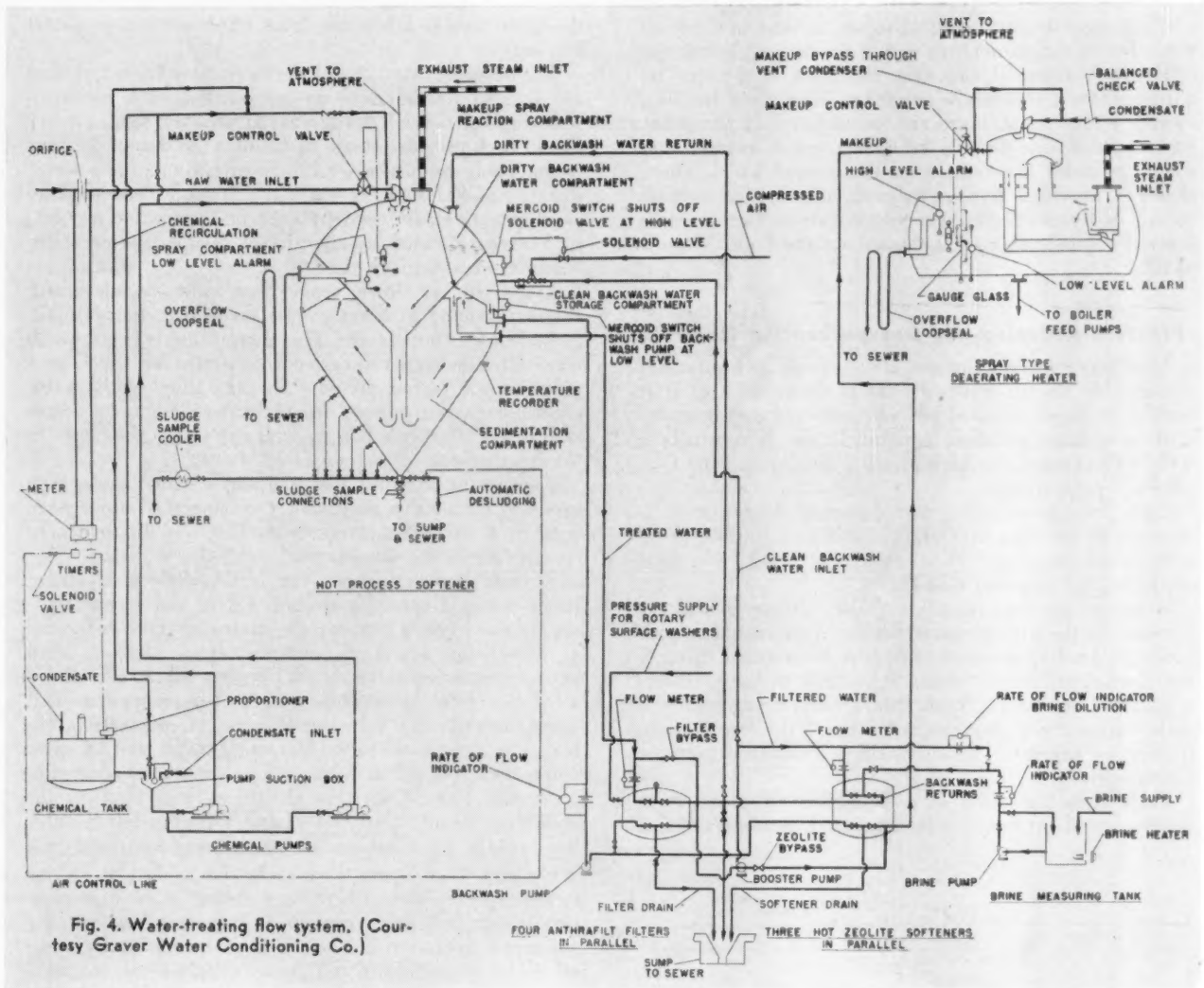


Fig. 4. Water-treating flow system. (Courtesy Graver Water Conditioning Co.)

which leaves about 0.015 grains/cu ft of dust in the blast-furnace gas going to the boilers.

Feedwater Treating System

The feedwater treating system (Fig. 4) consists of a sphericone softener (upper left in Fig. 4), filters, zeolite softeners, and necessary auxiliary equipment.

The sphericone hot-process softener has a capacity of 400,000 lb/hr and provides preliminary heating, deaeration, partial softening, and clarification of the raw water entering the system. From the softener, the water is more completely clarified by four filters arranged in parallel with a capacity of 100,000 lb/hr each. After the filters, complete softening is accomplished by three hot-zeolite softeners arranged in parallel with a capacity of 133,500 lb/hr each.

A deaerating heater is provided for final heating and deaeration of both treated water and condensate.

The raw water used is a local industrial water pumped from a series of lakes and known as Ohio Service Water. City water and river water can be used in an emergency.

Control Air

Control and instrumentation are pneumatic. All compressed air for automatic control systems (except the soot blowers) is taken from an air receiver which normally receives its air from the plant 80-100-psig system. However, an emergency motor-driven air compressor is provided to cut in automatically in event of low plant air pressure. All control air is passed through three "Condensifilters" before going to the several air systems. One filter is used for automatic control air, another is used for soot-blower operating air, and the third is used as a spare for either system. Air pressure reducing valves and additional air filters, either at the control panels or at individual controllers, reduce the air pressure to the desired value as recommended by the manufacturer.

Steam Temperature Control

A steam temperature control (Fig. 2) is provided on each boiler to maintain a minimum variation of steam temperature, thus protecting the new topping turbine against undesirable expansion changes. This control maintains the steam temperature at 900 deg F plus or minus 10 degrees at loads above 165,000 lb/hr. At lower steam loads the temperature control is inoperative, and the steam temperature will drop below 900 F with decrease in load.

Control of steam temperature is accomplished by varying the quality of the steam entering the superheater tubes from the superheater inlet header. The required degree of moisture in the steam is produced by condensing a portion of the saturated steam in the inlet header with a surface-type condenser. At boiler loads above 165,000 lb/hr, a portion of the boiler feed water is by-passed around the economizer and used as cooling water in the condenser so that condenser and economizer are operating in parallel. There are two condensers, one in each end of the inlet header.

Diaphragm-operated control valves, located in the feed-water line to the economizer and in the by-pass line to the condensers, automatically vary the rates of flow as required by the temperature controller. This controller also records steam temperature and is mounted on the boiler control panel. The flow to the condensers is metered and a flow recorder is mounted on the control panel. There also are provided remote manual controls for manual control of the two feed-water control valves. These remote manual controls also are mounted on the boiler control panel.

Pressure Reducing and Desuperheating Control

The Pressure Reducing and Desuperheating Equipment installed in No. 10 Boiler House is shown in Fig. 7. It consists of three identical pressure-reducing and desuperheating systems installed in parallel (one is normally a stand-by) between the high-pressure header and the low-pressure plant system.

Each pressure-reducing and desuperheating system is designed to handle a maximum capacity of 300,000 lb/hr with initial steam at 950 psig and 900 deg F, and final steam at 280 psig and 600 F.

A master pressure regulator (lower left) measures the pressure in the high-pressure header. This regulator provides air loading pressure, which is transmitted through the manual-automatic control sub-panels to the cylinder-type valve operators. With this arrangement, steam is spilled from the high-pressure header to the low-pressure header as necessary to maintain a constant upstream header pressure.

Each reducing valve is a double-seated globe type. Bodies are of chrome-molybdenum steel, grade WC6, and the valve trim is fabricated from hardened stainless-steel forgings.

The desuperheaters are of the steam-atomizing type and are located immediately downstream of each pressure-reducing valve. Each desuperheater uses a constant quantity of high-pressure steam to atomize the desuperheating water. Each desuperheater can handle a maximum water quantity of 40,000 lb/hr water at 150 deg F. The quantity of atomizing steam used by each desuperheater is 8,000 lb/hr, regardless of the quantity of desuperheating water required at any given time.

About 70-feet downstream from each desuperheater there is located a thermocouple measuring the desuperheated steam temperature. This thermocouple is used with an electronic temperature recorder-controller which provides an air output pressure for actuation of the valve controlling water to each desuperheater. This air pressure is transmitted through a manual-automatic sub-panel to the desuperheating water control valve.

Each water control valve is a single-seated globe type operated by a valve positioner receiving the output pressure from the temperature controller, and in turn controlling air to the diaphragm.

In each atomizing steam supply line there is located a single-seated diaphragm shut-off valve, and in each air-supply line to each temperature controller there is located a 3-way snap-action diaphragm valve. Also, in each pressure-reducing-valve cylinder operator there is included a ball-type pilot valve. This equipment is arranged so that when the reducing valve reaches its closed position, 15-psi air is transmitted to the atomizing steam shut-off valve and to the snap-action valve in the temperature-controller air-supply line. When this air pressure is applied, the atomizing steam valve closes, and the snap-action valve shuts off the air supply to the temperature controller and, at the same time, opens the loading line to the water valve to atmosphere. Thus, when the pressure in the high-pressure system falls below normal, each reducing valve under automatic operation closes and then automatically shuts off the atomizing steam and the air supply to the temperature controller. This causes a complete shut-down of the

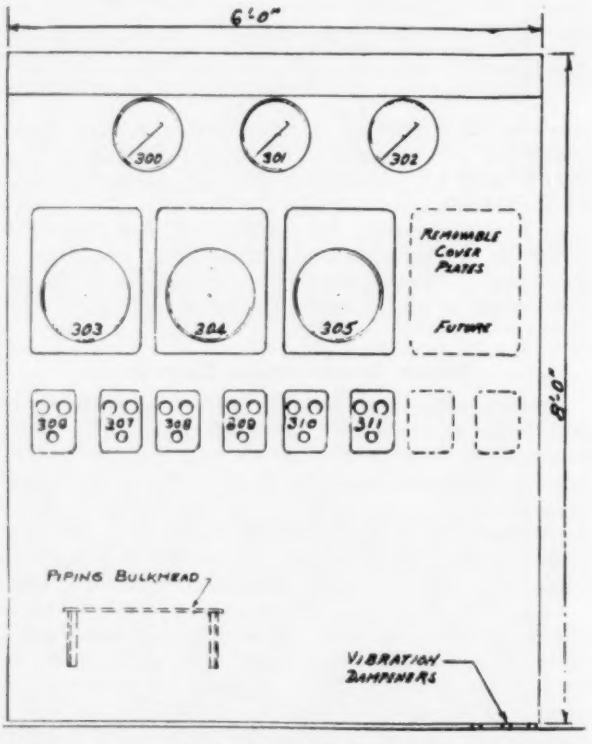


Fig. 5. Pressure-reducing and desuperheating control panel. Instruments are as follows: (300) is 950-psi-header press. gage; (301) is 280-psi-header gage; (302) is desuperheating-water press. gage; (303, 304, and 305) are steam-temp. recorder-controllers and pressure recorders; (306-311) are manual-automatic selector valves for the pressure and temperature controllers no. 1, 2, and 3.

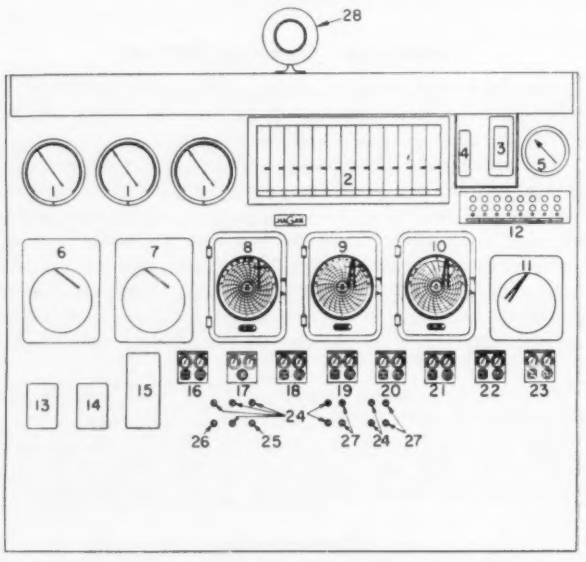


Fig. 6. Boiler panel. Units (1) are pressure gages for superheater outlet, boiler drum, and feedwater. Units (2) are 13-pointer draft gages for air at burners, blast-furnace gas at burners, etc. Unit (8) is steam-air flow recorder. (9) is blast-furnace-gas flow recorder. (10) is feedwater flow and level. (16) is boiler relay. (17) is ratio relay. (27) is burner flame failure switch. Others are fan control stations, etc.

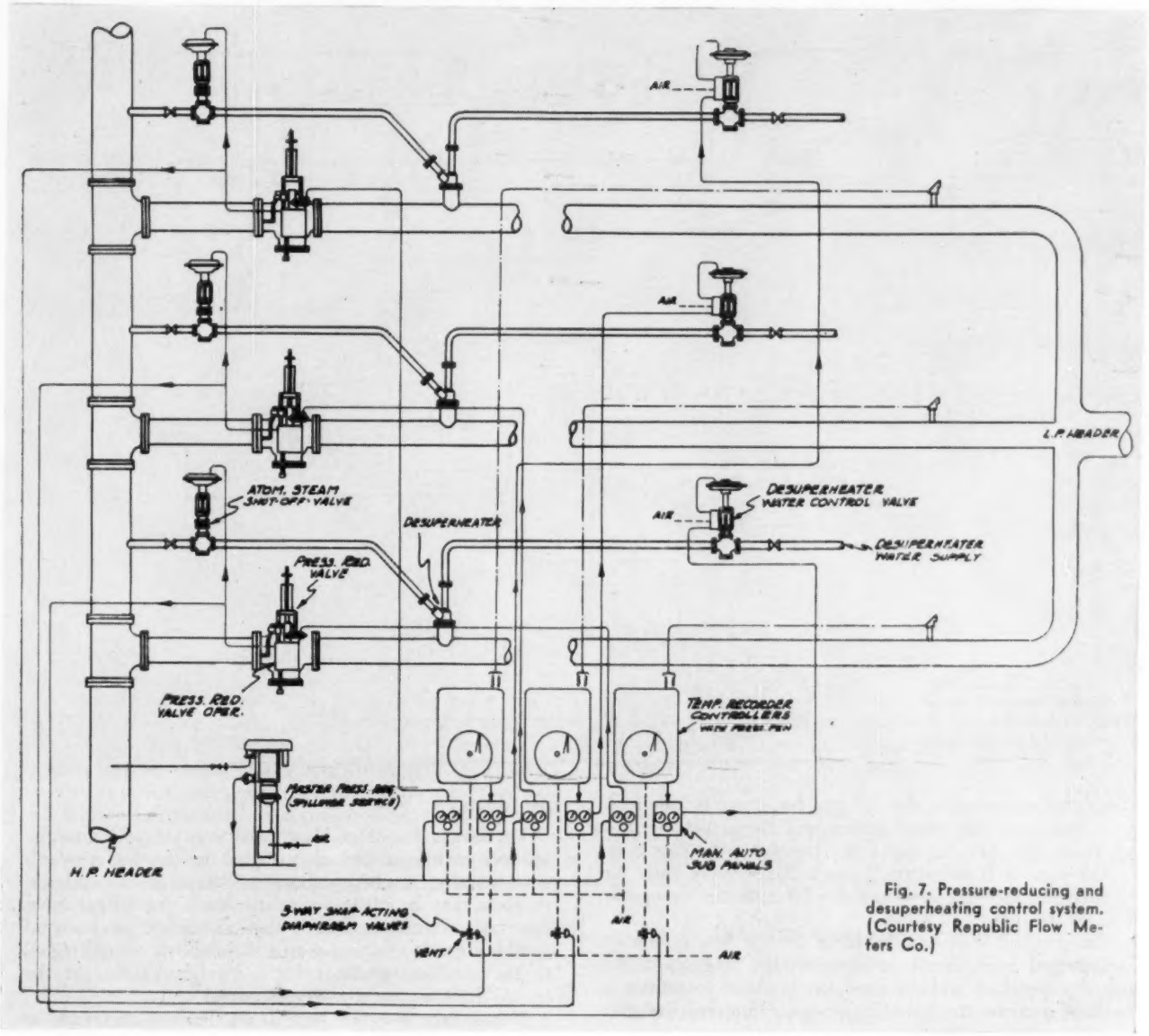


Fig. 7. Pressure-reducing and desuperheating control system. (Courtesy Republic Flow Meters Co.)

system, with both atomizing steam water supply valves held closed.

When the pressure in the high-pressure system rises, the pressure-reducing valve will open and, at the same time, atomizing steam and desuperheating water is made available for desuperheating the steam flowing through the pressure-reducing valve.

A similar desuperheating system is installed in the turbine exhaust line. However, here the atomizing steam shut-off valve is actuated by the temperature controller.

Fig. 5 shows the pressure reducing and desuperheating control panel.

Combustion Control

Fig. 8 shows the combustion-control system applied to each boiler unit. Both boilers are operated from the same pair of master control elements (upper left), with a connection being made to permit use of the master control signal at the second unit.

One master control is sensitive to pressure in the 280-psi header; the second is sensitive to pressure in the 950-psi header. A selector valve permits the operator to choose between the signals established by the two master controls, and to use either or both boilers for maintaining constant steam pressure in one of the two steam headers.

The master signal used at each boiler, regardless of the type of operation being maintained, is connected to the boiler relay station (unit 16 on Fig. 8) on the boiler control panel. This station permits either manual or automatic control of the corresponding boiler, and the output signal from the boiler relay station is connected directly to the air flow demand totalizer.

Gas Control

A blast-furnace-gas availability regulator (lower left in Fig. 8) uses gas pressure as an indication of the possibility of burning all the gas required by the boilers or being forced to accept a reduced amount because of the necessity for maintaining sufficient gas supply to other units in the steel works.

A signal from the gas availability regulator is connected to the air flow demand totalizer to establish such limits as may be necessary because of a deficiency in gas supply; the output signal from the air flow demand totalizer indicates the amount of gas to be burned by the individual boiler.

The signal from the air flow demand totalizer is connected to a steam-flow controller, and to a selector valve set in the signal system following the steam-flow controller. On automatic operation of the steam-flow controller,

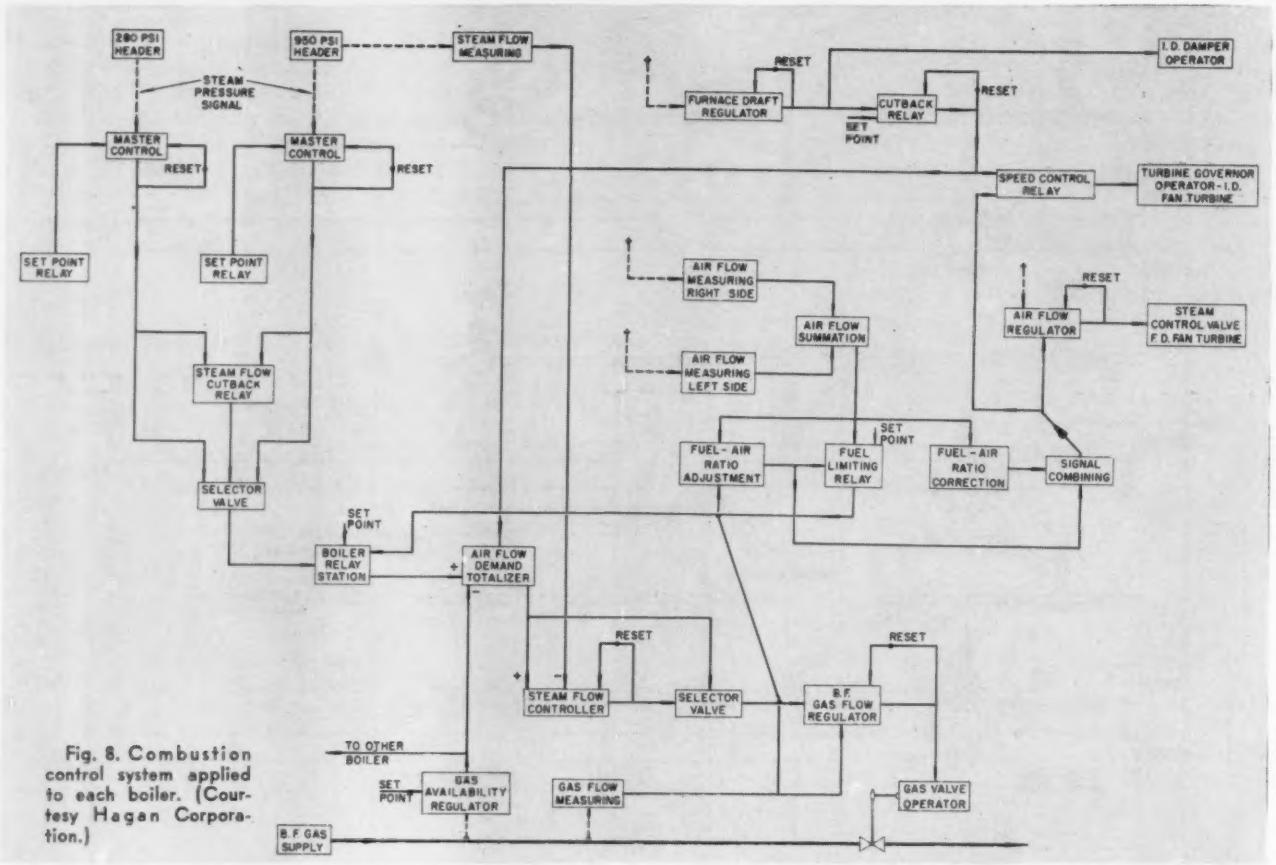


Fig. 8. Combustion control system applied to each boiler. (Courtesy Hagan Corporation.)

the signal representing the demand for steam is balanced by a corresponding signal from a unit measuring the rate of steam flow, and the signal leaving the steam-flow controller then is transmitted through the selector valve to the blast-furnace-gas flow regulator for maintaining operation of the main gas valve.

The demand thus established at the gas-flow regulator is balanced by a signal representing the amount of gas actually supplied, and the gas-flow regulator maintains a balance between the quantity of gas demanded and the quantity supplied.

Alternatively, the signal from the air flow demand totalizer may be taken through the selector valve (which is set manually) and this signal may be used directly at the gas-flow regulator, thus by-passing the steam-flow controller.

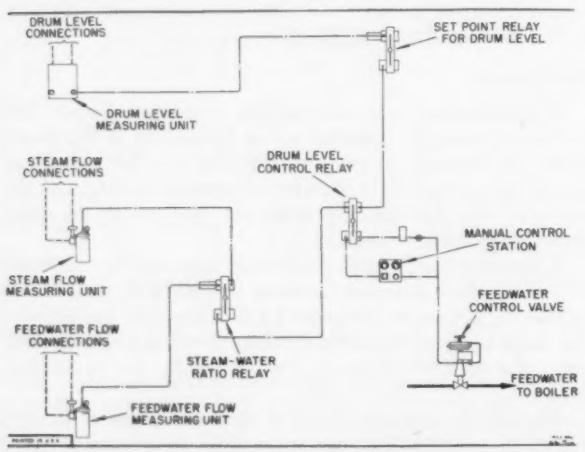


Fig. 9. Three-element (drum level, steam flow, and feedwater flow) feedwater-control system. (Courtesy Hagan Corp.)

Air Control

The measurement of blast-furnace gas supplied to the burners is transmitted as a signal to the fuel-air-ratio adjustment unit, where manual modification of the signal pressure may be made on a ratio basis. An output from this ratio adjusting unit is then connected to a signal combining relay, which serves to establish a final signal to the air-flow regulator for controlling action of the forced-draft-fan-turbine steam-control valve.

Measurements of air flow to the burners are made at both sides of the boiler, with the signals representing the two measurements being brought to the air-flow summation relay, and with the output from this relay representing total air flow. This output signal is connected to the fuel-air-ratio adjustment unit and to a fuel-air-ratio correcting unit. The former is for balancing purposes; the latter is for establishing a signal indicating any necessity for correction of the rate of combustion-air supply.

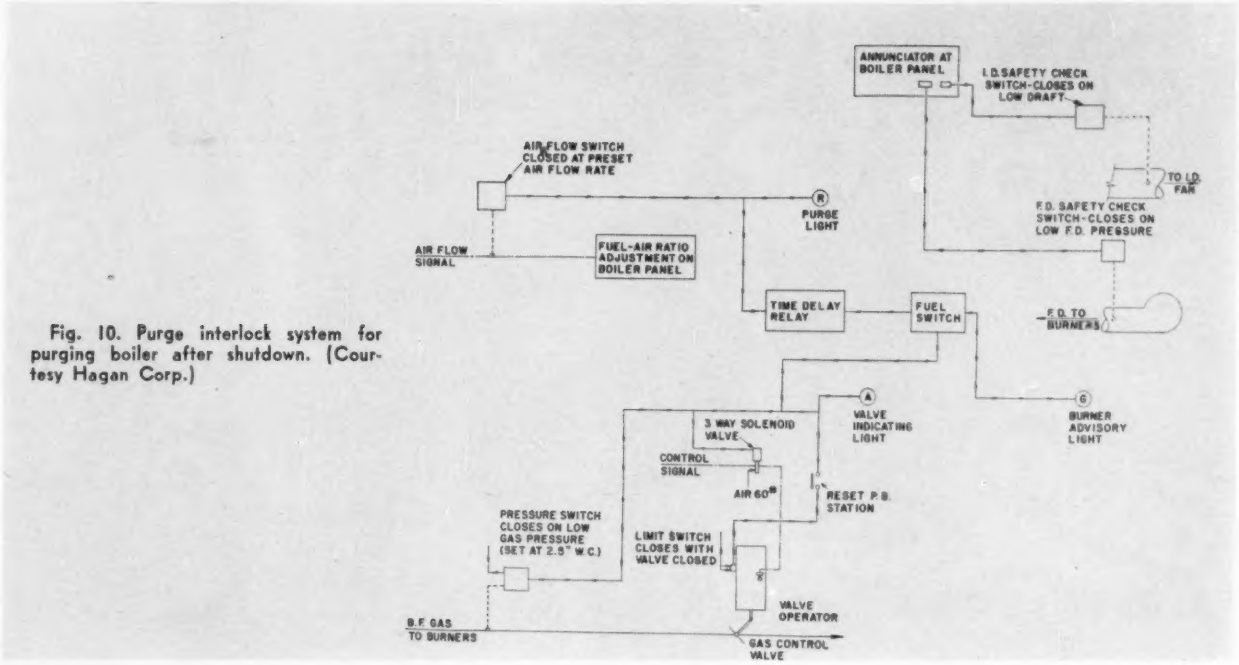
Under normal operation, the final signal transmitted to the air-flow regulator also is connected to the speed-control relay for the induced-draft-fan turbine, calling for speed changes of the I.D. fan approximately in step with changes in output of the forced-draft fan.

Furnace Draft

A constant furnace draft is maintained by means of a regulator connected into the furnace and sending a controlling signal to the induced-draft-damper operator.

Precautions Against Excess Fuel

In order to limit the input of fuel and combustion air to the capacity of the fans as operating at any time, a cutback relay receives the signal from the furnace-draft regulator, and in turn establishes a limiting signal when the furnace-draft regulator has positioned the induced-draft damper at approximately wide-open position. The output signal from this cutback relay is connected to the


ANNUNCIATOR AT BOILER PANEL
I.D. SAFETY CHECK SWITCH-CLOSES ON LOW DRAFT
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PURGE LIGHT
F.D. SAFETY CHECK SWITCH-CLOSES ON LOW F.D. PRESSURE
AIR FLOW SIGNAL
FUEL-AIR RATIO ADJUSTMENT ON BOILER PANEL
TIME DELAY RELAY
FUEL SWITCH
F.D. TO BURNERS
3 WAY SOLENOID VALVE
VALVE INDICATING LIGHT
BURNER ADVISORY LIGHT
CONTROL SIGNAL
AIR 60#
RESET P.B. STATION
PRESSURE SWITCH CLOSES ON LOW GAS PRESSURE (SET AT 2.5" W.C.)
LIMIT SWITCH CLOSES WITH VALVE CLOSED
VALVE OPERATOR
B.F. GAS TO BURNERS
GAS CONTROL VALVE

Fig. 10. Purge interlock system for purging boiler after shutdown. (Courtesy Hagan Corp.)

speed-control relay for the induced-draft-fan turbine to indicate the need for higher speed and greater output of the fan. At the same time, the signal from the cutback relay is connected to the air flow demand totalizer to reduce the input of blast-furnace gas to the burners.

As a further check against a possibility of introducing an excess of fuel, the signal representing total combustion-air supply is connected to a fuel-limiting relay, with the output from this unit being used as the air supply to the boiler relay station. This reduces the maximum demand for blast-furnace gas if the delivery of combustion air is reduced for any reason.

The master panel is shown in Fig. 3. The boiler panel is in Fig. 6.

Feedwater Control

The three-element feedwater-control system for each boiler is shown in Fig. 9.

Three measuring elements are used, one for steam flow leaving the boiler, one for feedwater flow to the boiler, and a third for drum level.

Primary control of the feedwater control valve is secured by measuring the difference between the rate of steam flow and feedwater flow, and substracting steam flow from feedwater flow at the steam-water ratio relay. The signal leaving this relay is connected to the drum-level control relay, which sends a pneumatic signal through a manual control station to secure approximate position of the feedwater control valve.

The signal from the drum-level measuring unit is connected to a set-point relay for the drum level, and the signal leaving this unit is indicative of any departures of drum level from standard value. This signal is connected to a separate chamber of the drum-level control relay, and indicates the need of any changes in feedwater flow to bring level back to normal value.

Purge Interlock

The interlock system for purging the boiler after shutdown (Fig. 10) prevents the possibility of introducing fuel when the fan is not delivering at the required rate. An air-flow switch closes at a pre-set air-flow rate taken from the air-flow signal going to the fuel-air ratio adjustment on the boiler panel. When this switch closes, a red purge light comes on, indicating the time-delay relay is energized. The fuel switch is then turned to "fuel on" position, and when the pre-set time has elapsed, a green burner advisory light comes on, and the three-way solenoid valve is energized. This allows the control air signal to go to the valve operator. The valve operator does not function until the limit switch is energized by the reset push-button station, which is indicated by an amber light. There is also a pressure switch which shuts off the blast-furnace gas in event of low gas-pressure.

Training Operating Personnel

A thorough knowledge of equipment is a prerequisite to successful operation. Therefore, a training program was planned and successfully administered as follows:

1. *Two-week Training Course*: All operating personnel were relieved from their former duties two weeks in advance of the expected starting date to attend the training course, eight hours a day. The first week consisted of a general description of the entire project and its operation coupled with field inspection. The second week, consisting of a more detailed study of the major pieces of equipment, was given by the various manufacturers involved.

2. *Training Manual*: All personnel attending the course were given a personal copy of all material used in the class room.

3. *Checking out and Testing Equipment*: All operators assisted the manufacturers in the checking out and testing of the new equipment before operation.

4. *Double Crews*: The operators worked twelve-hour shifts in order to double up their crews the first few weeks of operation; thus each boiler had the individual attention of a full crew.

5. *Engineering Assistance*: The Power and Fuel division had men on each turn for several weeks to offer engineering assistance and observe preliminary operations, thus helping to solve the many minor operating "bugs" that occur when starting a new boiler house.

As there have been no mishaps in the operation of this new boiler house and associated equipment, the cost of training the men seems to have been fully justified.

Problems of a new Soaking-Pit Installation

This résumé of the design factors, instrumentation, light-off, and operation of a new soaking-pit installation emphasizes the importance of proper operator introduction to new instrumentation. Included are the control systems for temperature, air-fuel ratio, combustion-air temperature, collector-flue draft, pit pressure, recuperator temperature, and safety devices. Air supply problems are discussed.

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TO KEEP PACE with the industry and to be consistent in its expansion and modernization program the management of Crucible Steel Co. of America started discussion in 1951 on a soaking-pit expansion program for its 44-inch blooming mill at Midland, Pa. The ten existing blocks of soaking pits had four holes each, were producer-gas fired, and of the regenerative type. Each hole had a rated capacity of 2.5 product tons per hour with a fuel efficiency of 1.9 million Btu per product ton, or 3.2 charged tons per hour with a fuel efficiency of 1.5 million Btu per ton. The decision was made to replace two blocks of the existing type with two blocks of coke-oven-gas-fired modern pits.

The various bids on pit construction were almost identical in size, cover crane, refractories, burners and controls, and mechanical details; the difference was entirely in the type and location of recuperators for reclaiming heat in the waste gases, and returning this heat to the burner in the form of preheated air. The first consideration, therefore, was the economics of air preheat temperature and the determination of the amount of preheat desired.

Preheat Considerations

Two arguments advanced in favor of higher air preheat are higher production per unit of area and lower fuel consumption; production can be increased from 20 to 30 percent by an increase in air preheat from 700 to 1500 deg F when heating carbon steels. However, we could not expect this benefit for our grades of alloy steels because the increased production is obtained by much higher flame temperature during the initial stages of heating, which was not permissable with the majority of grades heated at Midland. The only guaranteed benefit we could expect would be a decrease in fuel consumption from about 1 million Btu per ton with 900-deg-F air preheat to about 0.65 million Btu per ton with 1500-deg preheat. It was decided the fuel savings to be realized from the high-preheat-air-type pits would not offset the difference in installation costs between the high- and low-preheat-air types; it was decided to install two blocks of three holes, each of the low-preheat-air type.

Description of Equipment

To better understand the problems encountered during the early months of operation, a brief physical description of the pits and controllers is in order. Each hole (Fig. 1) is one-way top-fired with 500-Btu coke-oven gas or mixed gas (coke-oven gas and natural gas and air) with one hot-air-type burner having a rated fuel release of 20,000,000 Btu per hour. The burner used is essentially a 6-in. gas pipe, supported through the center of the hot-air pipe, with a cap having evenly spaced holes. Combustion air is entrained into the gas by means of a circular vane.

The inside dimensions of the pit are 22-ft. long by 8-ft. wide by 12½-ft. high from the top of the coke breeze (which is 12-in. deep) to the top of the end walls. Each hole has two flues (with a total area of 9.54 sq. feet) carrying waste products of combustion into the collector flue,

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Fig. 2. Control center for the new soaking pits at Midland Works is in pressurized house.

which has an area of 32.8 sq. feet and carries the waste gases from three holes to a metallic recuperator.

Combustion air is supplied by an overhung-type blower (rated at 1750 rpm, 10,800 cfm at 12-oz pressure) to the pits through the metallic recuperator, where the air is ultimately preheated to 900 deg F. To obtain 900-degree preheated air and to safeguard the recuperator elements it is necessary to cool the waste-gas temperature to 1800 deg F. This is accomplished by drafting cold air through two openings in the waste-gas duct in the recuperator leading to the elements. Control of this will be discussed.

Each hole is equipped with electric temperature control, pneumatic air-fuel ratio control, fuel and air flowmetering (both recording and integrating), and pit-pressure recording. Each block of three holes has collector flue draft control, combustion air temperature recording with automatic temperature compensation, and a three-point recorder indicating diluted waste-gas temperature in the recuperator, waste-gas temperature leaving the recuperator, and another preheat air-temperature record. This instrument also controls the waste-gas temperature in the recuperator. Total fuel flow to the two blocks is metered, recorded, and integrated. Following is a description of the component parts of the instrumentation.

Temperature Measurement and Control

Each pit was equipped with two holes in the end opposite the burner for a hermetically sealed radiation-type "Rayotube" element sighted on a closed-end tube. One hole presently being used is 6 feet from the top of the coke breeze, the other hole is 8½ feet (for use with taller ingots). The output from the "Rayotube" is measured and recorded. An electronic valve position controller with proportional, reset, and rate action controls an electric-operated valve-drive to position a 6-in. V-port gas butterfly valve to satisfy temperature requirements. The flow of the coke gas is measured and recorded by an air-fuel recorder.

Air-Fuel Ratio Control

The air-fuel ratio regulator is of the double-diaphragm type; the outboard diaphragm is sensitive to variations in fuel flow, and the inboard diaphragm is sensitive to variations in combustion air flow. Any unbalance between the pressures acting on the diaphragm causes the pneumatic signal generated by the regulator to change and restore the balance by repositioning a 16-in. combustion-air valve, thus regulating the flow of air to the burners. A fulcrum on the ratio regulator changes the air-to-fuel ratio setting.

Combustion-Air Temperature Compensation

A chromel-alumel thermocouple in the hot-air duct (just downstream of the recuperator) is connected to an air temperature transmitter. The transmitter (which also records the temperature) generates a pneumatic signal which is ultimately impressed on a diaphragm-operated fulcrum positioner connected to the air-fuel ratio control. The ratio setting of the air-fuel ratio regulator is thus varied automatically to compensate for combustion-air temperature.

Collector-Flue Draft Control and Pit-Pressure Measurement

The flue draft controller is a cam-loaded diaphragm type generating a pneumatic signal which remains constant so long as the flue draft (measured in the collector flue approximately midway between the recuperator and the inside pit) is at control point and a 0-psi signal is imposed on the cam-loaded head. Any change in the flue draft away from control point causes the pneumatic output of the regulator to change, thus repositioning the stack damper by means of an air-operated cylinder to return the draft to control point. Originally, when the pit cover was to be lifted a solenoid valve (operated by the cover limit switch) was to change the air loading on the cam-

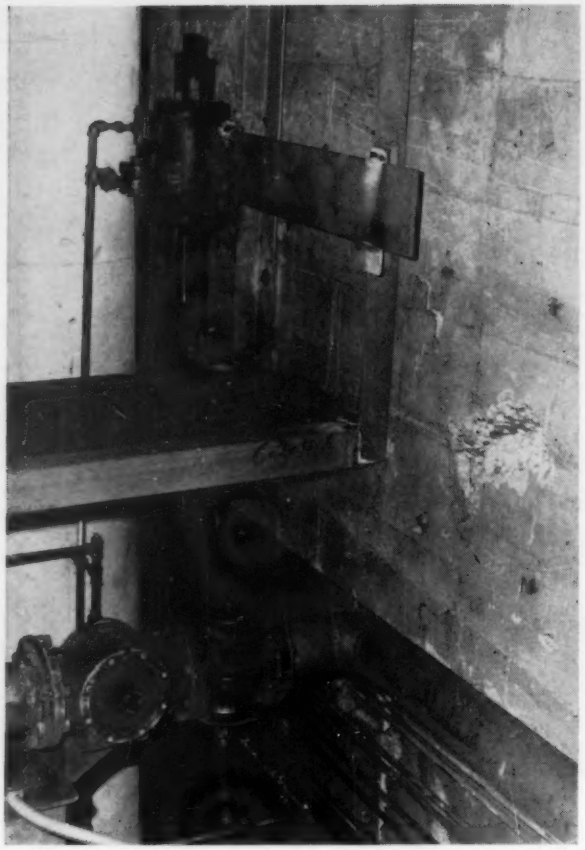


Fig. 3. Combustion-air control valve and cylinder operator.

loaded head to any predetermined value to position the damper permanently while the cover was open. This last part of the damper control was one of our chief concerns and seems to be a problem inherent to central damper control. Fortunately it has never been necessary to use this feature, probably for two reasons: (1) the flue draft is barely on the negative side, about –0.005 to 0.01 w.c., and (2) because of the tight seal around our cover.

Each pit is equipped with a pressure tap located opposite the burner and flue side, 3 feet from the top of the coke breeze. These pressures are recorded on a 3-pen recorder for each block. Our pit pressures vary from +0.005 during soaking period to in excess of +0.15 during firing periods. We believe the ability to maintain a pressure at all times in these pits is responsible for a large part of their success.

Recuperator Temperature Control

As mentioned, the maximum gas temperature to which the recuperator elements should be exposed is 1900 F. To assure that this would never be exceeded a two-fold control was installed. The amount of cold air being drawn into the waste-gas stream is determined by two valves on two openings. One valve is positioned by a throttling control to maintain a control setting of 1800 F. Should the temperature of the waste gases reach 1900 F a switch is thrown, opening the second solenoid-operated valve. This system is wanting under certain conditions; if the stack damper control should fail and the damper assume a position to create too high a waste-gas velocity because of the resultant increase in waste gases, it is at times impossible to draw in enough air to lower the waste gas to the desired temperature. We are now experimenting with a forced-air system. Fortunately, whenever a condition has occurred to create too high a recuperator temperature it has been caught before any damage could be done to the recuperator elements.

Automatic Fuel Shut-Off and Damper Positioning

Originally, the controls were designed to incorporate limit switches on the covers to automatically shut off the fuel to each pit and to position the damper when the cover was lifted. The reason for not positioning the damper has been discussed.

As the cover crane was operated from the heater platform, it was decided that it would eliminate precariously positioned switches to have a manual switch on the cover-lift panelboard for the operator to control the fuel to each pit. Using a 60-sec. electric valve drive on the gas valve, it was found advantageous to start the fuel before the cover was over the pit. This system also permits the heater to take fuel off any one pit without entering the control house.

Air-Fuel Fail-Safety Device

Two pressure-operated switches in series (one on the outlet of the combustion-air blower, and the other on the fuel-gas manifold to each block) operate a solenoid which controls the air pressure to an air-motor-operated valve in the main gas line. Should the blower fail or the gas pressure drop below a preset point, the solenoid is operated, changing the air pressure to the safety valve and shutting off the flow of gas to the three holes.

Operational Problems

As is usual with any new installation there were certain problems to be met before and after light-off. One of those foremost in the minds of everyone concerned was the attitude of the heaters toward the new fuel and controls. Heretofore, the heaters had been accustomed to producer-gas-fired pits and simple on-and-off temperature control. Before the installation was complete, all of the heaters involved were taken to Wheeling Steel in Steubenville where they were free to discuss with heaters and foreman an installation similar to ours. We were grateful for this opportunity because confidence in automatic temperature and fuel-air-ratio control was instilled in the heaters before it became necessary to face our own installation. We also made it clear that the controllers were in no way "heater" controls; they were merely aids at their disposal. This attitude still exists; as a result we have received the fullest cooperation from the operators.

In December, 1952, with construction almost finished, the pits were lighted off. Typical of any steel-mill-furnace light off, a comedy could be written, but despite blown fuses, frustrating hours of work on the automatic cover crane, control-air and impulse-line leaks, and the usual problems that beset a light off, we charged our first steel and got it out in beautiful condition on schedule.

In the first week of operation the confidence of the operators was almost destroyed. Our temperature-measuring elements began to read low by 100 and 200 degrees F. This was diconcerting, particularly when optical checks substantiated the operators' claims. It was found that the lens of the "Rayotube" exposed to the atmosphere had collected a coat of oil film and coke dust. Using air to keep them clean was out of the question; using "typical" plant air probably would have aggravated the situation. Rushing to the nearest "5 and 10" we purchased some cheesecloth to make filters, which proved to be successful. We have refined this filter somewhat, now finding a new use for orthopedic socks. The "Rayotube" now requires cleaning about once a month instead of once a turn, and

confidence was immediately restored in the temperature-measuring device.

Meticulous effort was put forth to set up the air-fuel ratio control to establish just the proper atmosphere in each pit. This was established at about 106 percent theoretical air, which held up well throughout the complete turn down of the heating cycle. After a short time it became apparent that the steel was not being heated properly. The tops of ingots furthest from the burner were being washed and the butts were cold. Trying to get the butts hot increased heating time and aggravated the washing. Waste-gas analysis checks were made over and over again, only to find our air-fuel ratio holding steady and giving us about 106 percent theoretical air during this critical soaking period. It was finally decided that we had the wrong flame characteristic during soaking—and there was no easy way to change the burner mixture. The air-fuel control was biased to give us more and more air at low flow conditions, until at present we go from 106 percent theoretical air at high flow to 215 percent theoretical air at soaking. We were fortunate in having a control flexible enough to do this. What we are doing, in effect, is using low calorific heating with a greater mass in the soaking period. This has the advantage of more-even heat distribution, and the fluid mass aids us in maintaining a positive pressure in the pit during the soaking period. The results of this change were astounding—we have more-evenly-heated ingots, the washing and cold butts disappeared, our tons per hour increased, and because of this our Btu per ton actually decreased despite the obvious need for higher average Btu input per charge heated. Although the scale increased in thickness, it was lighter and loose, a condition much to the liking of the operators.

The control installation was purchased without any means of program control—that is, no method for setting the time required to approach control point. As fuel led air, as soon as the pit was charged, maximum fuel would come on and control point would be reached quickly. The operators and metallurgists cringed at every temperature chart and steadfastly maintained that something had to be done. In order to get a satisfactory heating curve the temperature control had to be put on manual until control point was reached. This method of operation had its obvious drawbacks, so it was decided to limit the fuel input by installing a regulator in the main gas line to both blocks. Although this has restricted our charging to the point where our tons-per-hour drop when over 33 percent of our bottom area is covered, it has satisfied the operators and metallurgists. By keeping the pits charged as close to the 33 percent area as possible, we feel we are losing little production.

Air Supply Considerations

When pneumatic control is used, a steady, clean supply of compressed air is necessary. Our plant air supply was immediately discarded as a source, and three small compressors were purchased to supply air not only to the new pit installation, but to the on-off controls on the old blocks, which are air operated. As a safeguard against power failure the plant air supply was tied into the air header as a secondary source. This combination was too much. Oil leakage by the compressor piston rings put oil into the control air system, and intermittent opening of the plant air supply into the control air put water into the system. You are probably familiar with the results. We are not satisfied with the air supply system, and at present are surveying the possibilities of filtering the entire plant air supply to the blooming mill. Preventive maintenance by periodic cleaning of the parts affected by the poor air supply is now practiced.

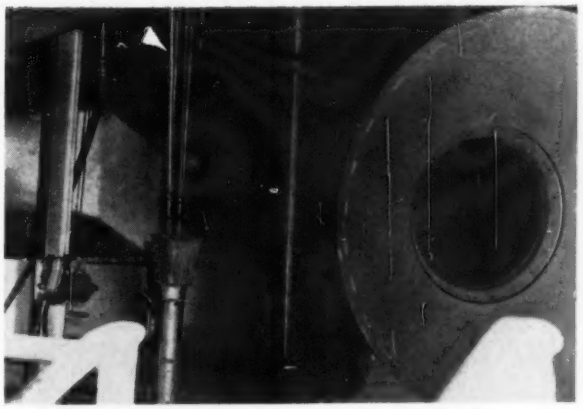


Fig. 4. View of metallic recuperator.

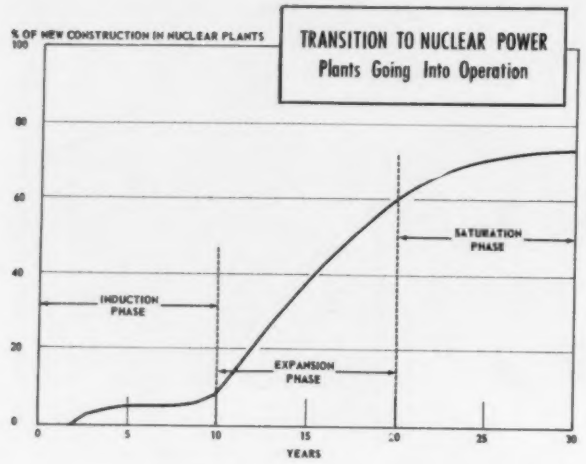
Maintenance and Location

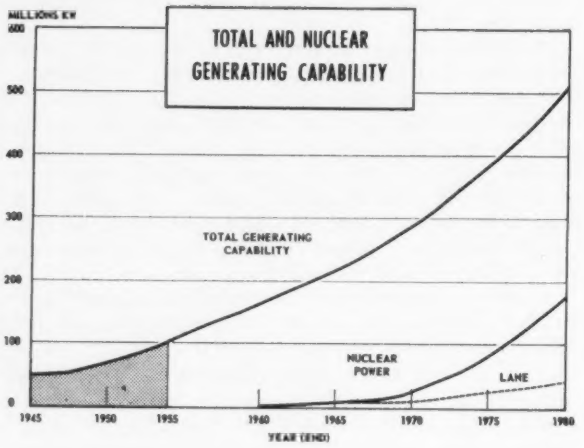
Preliminary discussions on control locations found everyone agreeing that the control cylinders on combustion-air and fuel valve-drive motors should be located as near to the burner as possible. This located the equipment just above the outlet flues, which formed a convenient working platform when covered with grating, and a solid flooring overhead between the two blocks. The first warm weather proved this location to be a mistake. The ambient temperature got well above 200 deg F, making it impossible to service the equipment. Attempts to cool the area with fans and blowers proved unsuccessful, so it was decided to move fuel valves, valve drives, and air cylinders to a cooler spot. Good planning and a convenient down period allowed this to be done with no lost heating time.

The type of air-fuel-ratio and damper control was new to our plant. Our instrument department had no one with experience on this type of equipment. Two men were sent to the school conducted by the company furnishing the controllers. This formal schooling, plus the experience of working with service men during initial installations, gave our people sufficient background to eliminate the need for outside help. With our expansion program bringing many new and different types of controllers into our plant, it is a tribute to our instrument department that they have acclimated themselves to all types and have done an excellent job of maintenance.

Results

Despite the problems encountered, everyone is satisfied with the performance of the new pits. The steel furnished the bloomer consists of every imaginable grade—28-percent carbon steel, 69-percent alloy steel, and 3-percent stainless. Our 5 electric furnaces and 10 open hearths melt the steel and teem it into 24 x 24, 26 x 26, and 27 x 27 B. E. U. moulds with hot tops. Much of it is held 1½ to 3½ hours in the moulds before stripping, causing track time of 3½ to 5 hours. An ideal charge in the new pits is fourteen 24 x 24's, twelve 26 x 26's, or eleven 27 x 27's. This seems to be the point of diminishing returns as one more ingot charged lowers the tons per hr. drastically. With the above charges the average pit heating rate from charge to draw is 9.5 tons per hour, with a net heating rate of 0.47 million Btu per ton. An average month's performance would be 7.0 charged tons per hour with a fuel economy of 0.65 million Btu per ton. Considering the types of steel being heated, controlled heating cycles required, and track times, we believe the pits are doing an excellent job.





Nuclear Power Developments

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FROM the AEC point of view, the first goal is to develop at least one type of reactor to be economically competitive with conventional power plants, at least in some areas of the United States.

There have been encouraging signs during the past few months that industrial groups taking a realistic look at the cost of construction of "nuclear boilers" can now foresee much lower costs than previously. Costs as low as $80 to $100 per kilowatt of capability for the nuclear boiler, that is, reactor, including the first core, have been estimated for nuclear power plants of 75,000 to 150,000 kilowatts of electrical capability. While this is still substantially more than the $40 to $70 per kilowatt for conventional boilers of the same size, it is encouraging. Our very first full-scale nuclear power plant—The Pressurized Water Reactor now under construction at Shippingport, Pennsylvania—is expected to have a "reactor boiler" cost of $37,500,000 for 60,000 kilowatts of electrical capability —over $600 per kilowatt.

Expansion Rate

There has been a good deal of speculation as to the rate of expansion of the nuclear power industry. In my view, we can look forward to three phases in the transition to nuclear power plants. During the first or "induction phase," it is anticipated that some fairly large nuclear plants will be built, largely with private funds (Fig. 1).

At some point in time the degree of confidence in the eventual economic advantages of nuclear power will become so strong that a relatively large proportion of new power plants will be nuclear. This will be largely a psychological point. However, when it is reached, it is not difficult to foresee the proportion of nuclear power plants to the total number being built increasing from perhaps 5 percent to 60 percent in 10 years or less.

This point will undoubtedly be reached long before anyone can seriously claim to have generated economic nuclear power and will be largely psychological in nature.

Size of Nuclear Power Industry

After considering various estimates, including those made recently by industry, it seems to me that the generating capability of the nation should increase from the current level of approximately 100 million kilowatts to more than 200 million by 1965 and to nearly 400 million by 1975 (Fig. 2). I think that the corresponding power generated might go from the current level of nearly 500 billion kilowatt-hours to more than 1000 billion in 1965 and to nearly 2000 billion in 1975. Of course, a great deal can happen to alter these estimates.

If these "fine" predictions come to pass, the United States by 1977 will have something like 100,000,000 kilowatts of electrical generating capability in nuclear power plants—about as much capability as the nation has now in conventional plants. These nuclear plants would probably represent an investment of nearly $20 billion. When one thinks of the various new facilities and plants necessary to supplement and service such a large nuclear power capacity, it is obvious that there will be many opportunities for large and small industries to make a place for themselves in this business during the next 20 years.

The United Kingdom has announced a tentative program for the development and construction of nuclear power plants over the next decade. The British hope to have 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 kilowatts of nuclear power generating capacity in use by 1965. If developments in this country go as I have estimated, the United States will have 2½ to 3 times as much capacity in operation by 1965. Proportionately, this will not be doing as well as the British who today have only one fifth as much installed capacity as we have.

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Why A Relief Valve?

Safety engineering requires proper use of relief valves, and proper use demands the foreseeing and diagnosing of any combination of equipment or human-element malfunctions. Examples are given where relief valves are necessitated by possibility of fire, blocked inlets or outlets, instrument or equipment failure, water hammer, and underpressurizing.

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A "MUST" in all chemical processing and power plants is the proper use and selection of relief valves, as well as the complete coverage of hazardous conditions involving the use of relief valves. Relief valves protect equipment from rupture, reduce fire hazards, increase safety to personnel, and assure continuous plant operation.

The importance of relief valves to the public welfare has grown to such an extent that all cities, counties and states, as well as the federal government, have specific relief valve codes that are strenuously enforced. Plants often are forbidden to start up because of not adhering satisfactorily to a relief-valve code governing that particular locality.

Relief valves in general are discussed in the 1951 API-ASME[1] and the 1952 ASME "Unfired Pressure Vessel Codes." Mentioned as causes for over-pressure are fires or other unexpected sources of heat. However, to diagnose properly a need for a relief valve, safety engineers should consider over-pressure due not only to heat but

[1]American Petroleum Institute—American Society of Mechanical Engineers

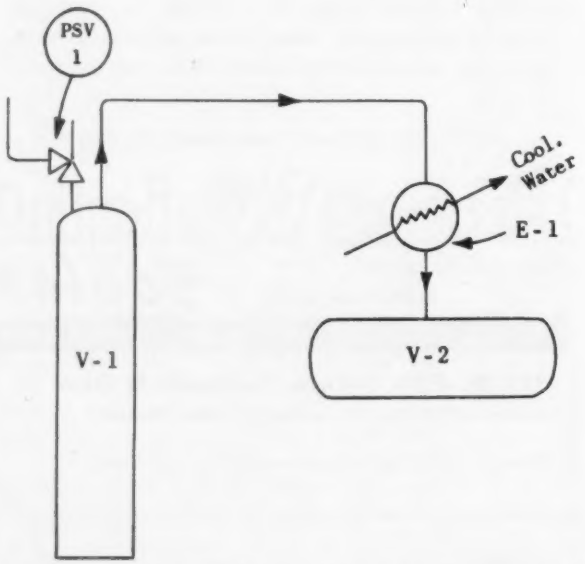

Fig. 1. Interconnected equipment units which cannot be isolated from each other are treated as one unit and protected by one relief valve. In this application, units V-1, E-1 and V-2 are protected by PSV-1.

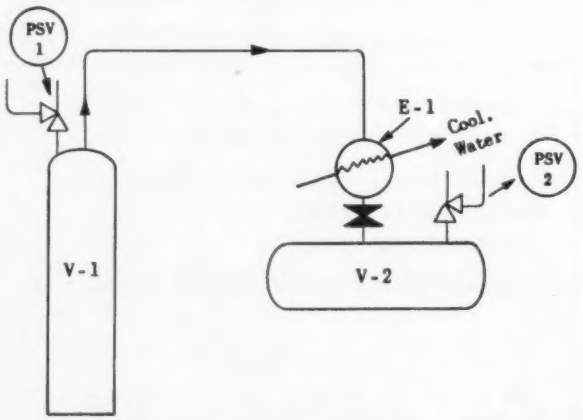

Fig. 2. Interconnected equipment units that can be isolated by a block valve are treated as separate units, and each unit must be protected by a relief valve. PSV-1 protects interconnected units V-1 and E-1, but block valve between E-1 and V-2 necessitates relief valve PSV-2 for V-2.

also to (a) process variations, (b) abnormal process operation, and (c) equipment failure.

Fire

Fire is listed first and is number one in the minds of safety engineers in petroleum refineries and chemical plants because it is a prevalent and devastating hazard.

If equipment containing liquid is exposed to fire, it is possible for the heat from the fire to vaporize the liquid. The pressure developed in the vessel will be a function of the temperature and composition of the liquid-vapor state. One way to keep the pressure down is to provide an escape for the vapors generated. If this is not done, it is possible to develop excessive pressure beyond the rupture point of the equipment. The types of equipment that can be exposed to fire are heat exchangers, fractionating columns, storage vessels, and operating vessels.

In general, when applying relief valves, equipment that may be connected together by piping that does not contain valves which can isolate any item may be considered as one unit requiring a relief valve or valves. If the items can be separated from one another by valves in the connecting piping, then each item shall be considered as a unit with its own individual relief valve or valves. For example, in Fig. 1 the items are not separated by valves; therefore, PSV-1 can be used to protect V-1, V-2, and E-1. In Fig. 2, V-1 and E-1 are separated from V-2 by a valve; therefore, PSV-1 can be sized to relieve V-1 and E-1, and PSV-2 sized to relieve V-2.

Blocked Outlets and Inlets

Liquid-filled lines that can be blocked in and also exposed to the sun should be protected by relief valves. The sun beating down on bare pipe can heat the entrapped liquid, cause expansion of the liquid, and create enough pressure to rupture the piping.

If the cold side of a heat exchanger is liquid filled and can be blocked, then the cold side requires a relief valve. Referring to Fig. 3, A, it is possible to close the block valves on the cold side of the heat exchanger and at the same time have hot liquid go through on the "hot" side. Thus the "hot" side can transmit heat to the "cold" side, expand the blocked-in liquid, and rupture the shell.

A fired-tube heater with liquid oil in the coils requires relief protection when the coils can be blocked in. In Fig. 3, B, the heater can have the coils blocked in and heat applied at the same time. The coils can be blocked in by closing the two block valves "a" and "b," or by closing the outlet block valve and the check-valve preventing any reverse flow, or by having the outlet block valve closed and the pump pumping liquid through the relief valve. Owing to the possibility of the latter conditions, it is preferred that the relief valve be placed on the coil outlet side to permit flow through the coils and thus prevent coking.

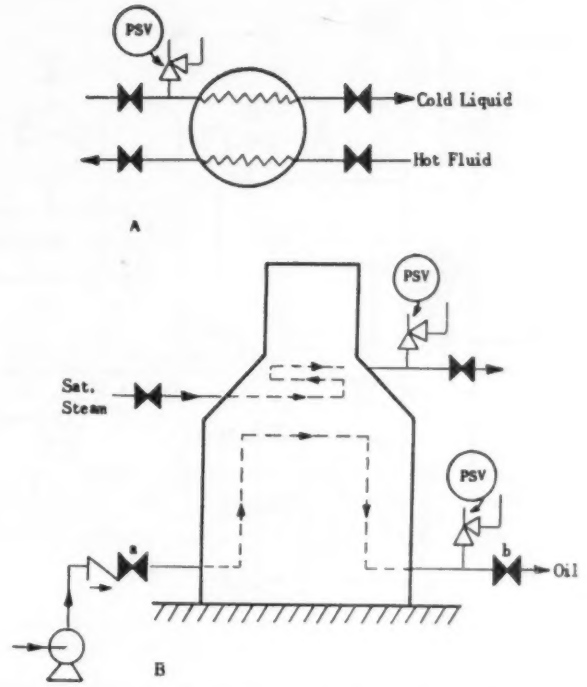

Fig. 3. Examples of relief protection for liquid-filled lines which can be blocked off. In A, the heat exchanger requires relief protection on the cold side because the cold-side lines could possibly be blocked and heat applied to the cold lines from the hot lines. In B, relief valve on fired-tube heater is placed on the coil outlet to permit flow through the coils and thus prevent coking; relief valve on super-heater steam coil is required because of possibility of starting up heater with steam lines blocked and condensed liquid in the steam coils.

In Fig. 3, B, it is possible to start up the heater with the valves on the steam coils closed and liquid condensed in the coils. In view of this possibility, it is necessary to insert a relief valve on the super-heater steam coil. A city inspector in a large city once refused to permit a plant from starting up until a relief valve was inserted for just such an application. This incident proves the importance of, let us say, the lack of relief valves.

Blocked Outlets

Blocked outlets can apply to (1) reciprocating compressors, (2) reciprocating pumps, (3) gear pumps, (4)

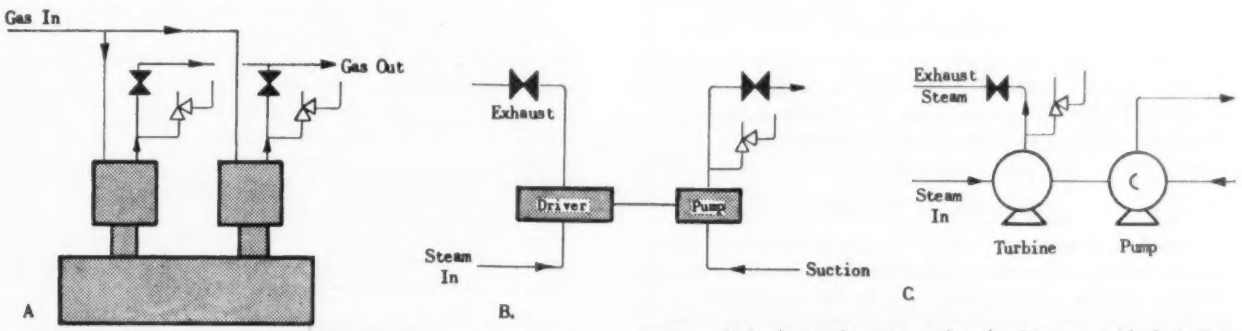

Fig. 4. Process units requiring relief protection against blocked outlet lines. A is reciprocating compressor; blocked outlet could rupture compressor case or lines. B is reciprocating pump or gear pump, which also could rupture if outlet lines were blocked. C is turbine driver which requires protection on exhaust side because exhaust side is designed for lower pressure than inlet side, and blocked outlet would cause outlet pressure to raise to inlet pressure.

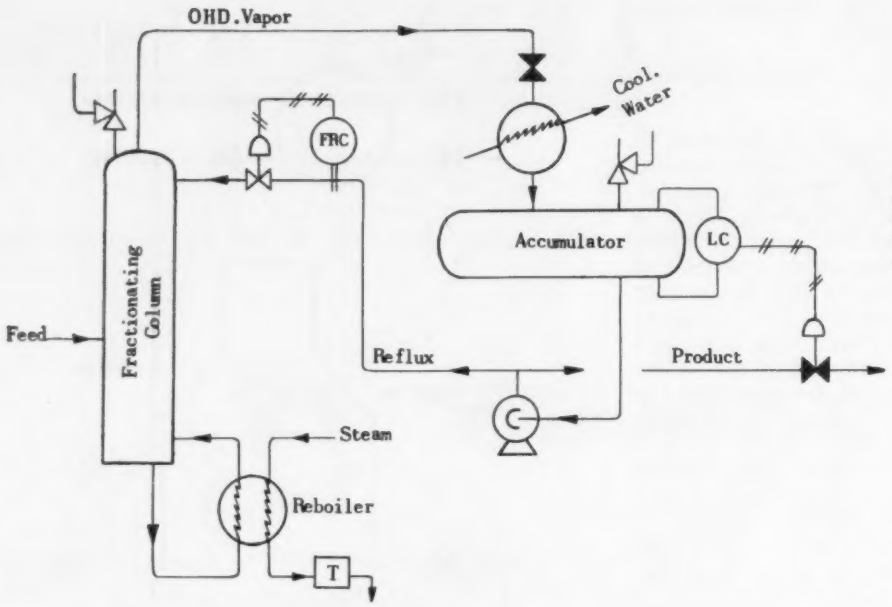

Fig. 5. Fractionating column requires relief protection because overpressure can result from blocking of overhead vapor line while heat continues, or from loss of reflux (which acts as coolant).

steam exhaust side of turbines, and (5) fractionating columns.

In the first three of these items, we have positive displacement equipment; the units are discharging constant volumes of liquid, gas or vapor. If the discharge is blocked, the units are so designed that the fluid cannot reverse itself but must go forward with the motion of the piston or gear. If it cannot go forward, then the unit will either stall or rupture the pump or associated piping. Therefore, to protect the equipment, relief valves are installed as in Fig. 4. In A and B, the relief valves may discharge to the suction side of the units.

Fig. 4, C shows a turbine-driven pump with a relief valve on the steam exhaust side of the turbine. The reason for this is that the exhaust side of a turbine is invariably designed for a much lower pressure than the inlet side. If the inlet side of the turbine were to be open and the outlet side blocked, the exhaust pressure would be the same as the inlet. It is for this emergency that relief valves are installed.

Overpressure also can be developed in fractionating columns when the overhead vapors are blocked and the source of heat to the column continues. In Fig. 5, if the block valve in the overhead vapor line is accidentally closed and heat continues to the column, overpressure can result. This necessitates use of a relief valve on the column.

Reflux Failure

In Fig. 5, the loss of reflux also can cause overpressure to the column because reflux acts as a coolant to the column. Reflux failure may be due to pump failure, instrument failure, or loss of cooling water.

Instrument Failure

Another important feature to guard against is instrument failure, including possibility of the instrument itself failing or loss of instrument air to the instruments.

One commonly considered instrument-failure possibility is a control valve "freezing" in an open or closed position. Suppose in Fig. 6, that the stripping steam to the column is at 135 psig, the maximum design of the column is 50 psig, and the control valve, FRCV, freezes in an open position. If the overhead condenser is not designed to condense the full capacity of the steam through the control valve, or if the block valve between the condenser and the accumulator is closed, then it is possible to overpressure the column with 135-psig steam.

Entrance of a fluid or vapor from a high-pressure system to a low-pressure system may sometimes be a source of equipment overpressure. In Fig. 7, the absorption of the wet gas with lean oil takes place at 450 psig. The rich oil leaves the Absorber through a level-control valve to the Deethanizing Column, which operates at 200 psig and has a maximum design pressure of 250 psig. The only thing that separates the Absorber from the Deethanizer is the control valve which reduces the pressure (as well as controls the level) down to the operating pressure in the Deethanizer. If the control valve were to freeze in an open position, then it is possible to feed an excess of high-pressure liquid and gas to the Deethanizer. If the Deethanizer is not designed to handle this high rate, relief protection must be provided.

Other possibilities to consider as the basis of instrument failure are (1) steam or hot oil control to a reboiler, (2) cooling-water control on a condenser or cooler, (3) steam control to a turbine, (4) pressure control on a fractionating column, (5) steam boiler controls.

Abnormal Process Operation

Abnormal process operation also must be considered in the application of relief valves. The human element is as much a factor as equipment elements—examples: manually shutting off the block valves on the cold side of the exchanger and opening the block valves on the hot side in Fig. 3, A; manually shutting off the block valves on the steam coil containing water (in Fig. 3,B) and keeping the heater fired up; manually shutting off discharge valves on the compressor and pumps in Figs. 4, A, and 5. These examples are just a few in which manual operation can cause overpressure of equipment, and all possibilities must be considered for sizing relief valves.

Equipment Failure

Plant cooling-water pump failure, fractionating-column reflux pump failure, and tube rupture of heat exchangers

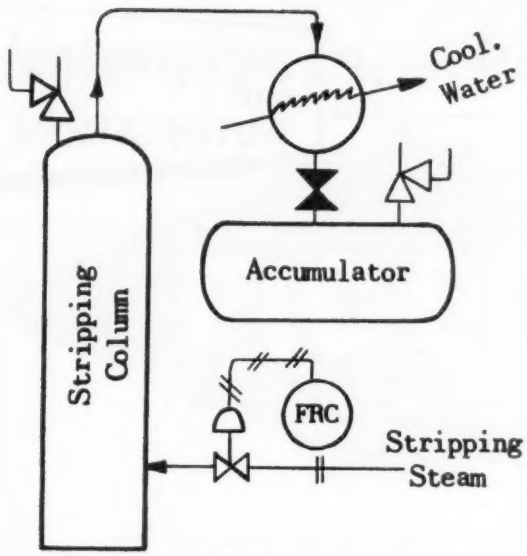

Fig. 6. Example of protection required against instrument failure. If valve controlling 135-psig stripping steam to stripping column should freeze open, the column (designed for 50 psig maximum) might be subjected to 135-psig steam pressure if overhead condenser is not designed to condense full steam capacity—or if the block valve between the condenser and accumulator is closed.

are the most important of process-equipment failures inducing overpressure of allied units.

Pumps may fail because of mechanical breakdowns or loss of power. In either event it is a possibility and a likely occurrence.

Exchanger tubes are subject to splitting, and consideration should be given to the source of high pressure and its effect on the low-pressure side. If, for example, a tube splits and the high pressure is on the tube side, then it is possible to overpressure the shell side, the shell piping, or the associated equipment. The same consideration should be given if the high pressure were on the shell side.

Water Hammer

The rapid shut-off of a valve in a liquid line or the shut-off of a pump may induce water hammer in piping. Water hammer fundamentally is pressure waves transmitting back and forth in a liquid-filled pipe. This pressure may reach the point whereby it can rupture piping or equipment. To protect piping and equipment from water hammer, the solution is use of a relief valve.

Vacuum Relief

Equipment not designed for vacuum service must be protected against underpressurizing as well as overpressurizing. If the atmospheric pressure on the outside of the vessel is greater than the pressure on the inside, it is possible to collapse the walls. It has been done time and again.

Full or partial vacuum in equipment may be caused by any of the following events: (1) Pumping more liquid out of a vessel than is entering. (2) Draining liquid from a vessel (such as water after a hydrostatic test) without venting. (3) Injecting cold liquid into a vessel after steaming it out.

The first two cases are obvious; withdrawing liquid without replacing the displaced volume produces a vacuum. In the third, if the vessel is full of steam and cold liquid is injected into the unit, then the cold liquid will

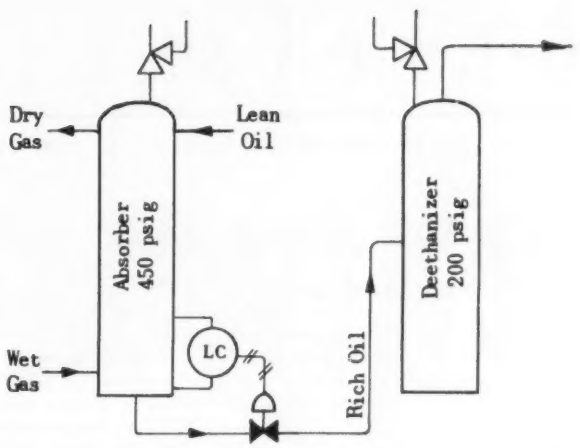

Fig. 7. Another example of protection required against instrument failure. If control valve between 450-psig Absorber abd 200-psig Deethanizer of this absorption unit were to freeze open, pressure in Deethanizer could exceed its design rating.

condense the steam, reducing the volume occupied by the steam, and thus producing a vacuum.

Conclusion

If one can efficiently diagnose, then the prognosis is easy and the cure practically guaranteed. With safety engineering, such is the procedure—namely, diagnosing instances in which equipment may be subjected to overpressurizing or underpressurizing, applying the proper relief or vacuum valves, and thereby ensuring safe operation and protection of equipment. The typical applications cited will take care of approximately 95 percent of all problems in refineries, chemical plants, and power plants.

In the practice of safety engineering, the engineer would do well to consider all possible effects of the following:

1. Fire.
2. Blocked inlets and outlets, or blocked outlets.
3. Instrument or equipment failure.
4. Water hammer.
5. Vacuum, with respect to operating equipment.

One final thought. The safety features discussed are not mandatory by law in all cases. However, it is insurance for continuous plant operation, and protection for personnel and equipment. In all probability the safety equipment may never be used—which is good; but, should it be used only once, then it more than pays for itself in return on the investment.

In conclusion, the actual cost of safety equipment is low in comparison to the over-all cost of plants in operation today; cutting corners on safety equipment is penny-wise and dollar foolish.

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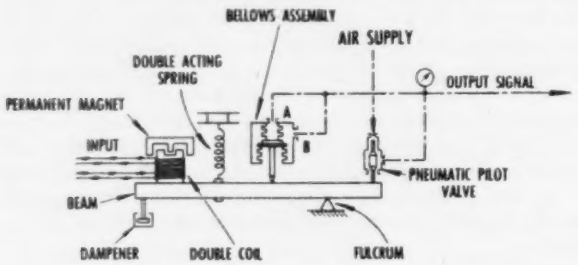

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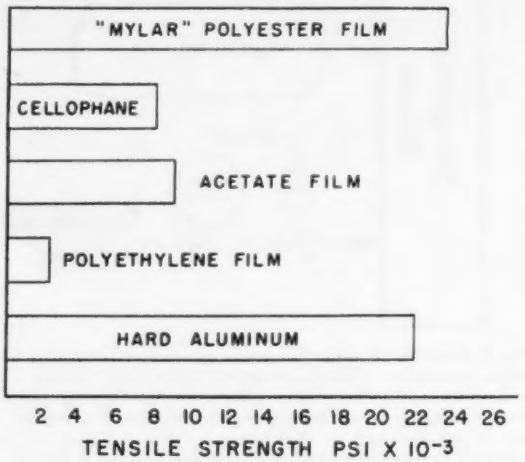
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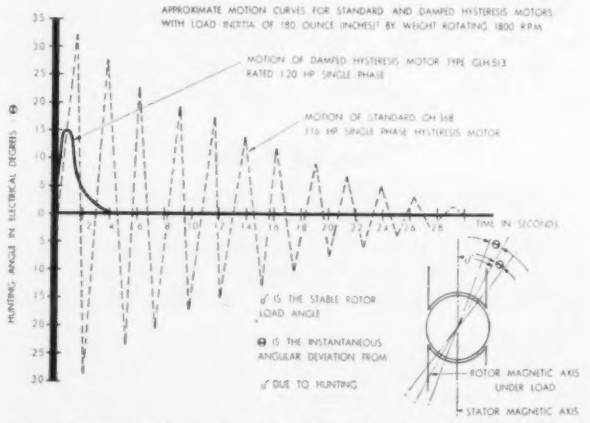
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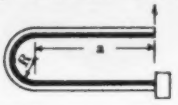

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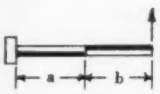

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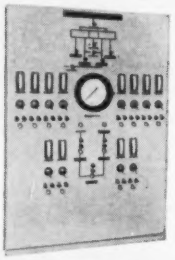

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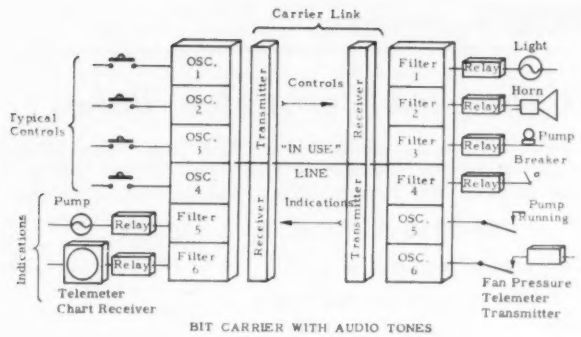

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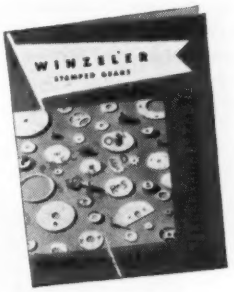

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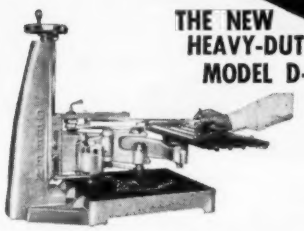

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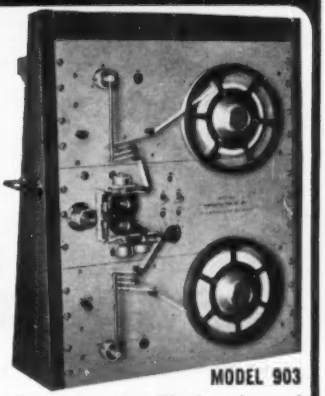

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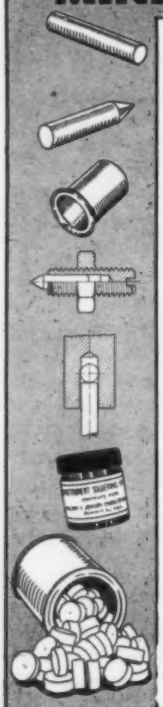

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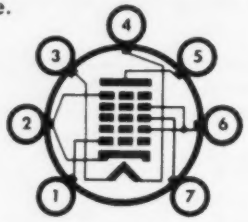

In 1952, another twin triode, Type GL-5965 was announced by GE . . . A third, GL-6463, was added in mid-1954 . . . The most recent additions to the line of GE computer tubes, GL-6211 and -5915-A, were announced later in 1954. (*From new 52-page Catalog ETD-1140 "G-E Computer Tubes and their Applications, General Electric Tube Dept., Schenectady 5, N. Y.*)

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Potentiometer Resolution

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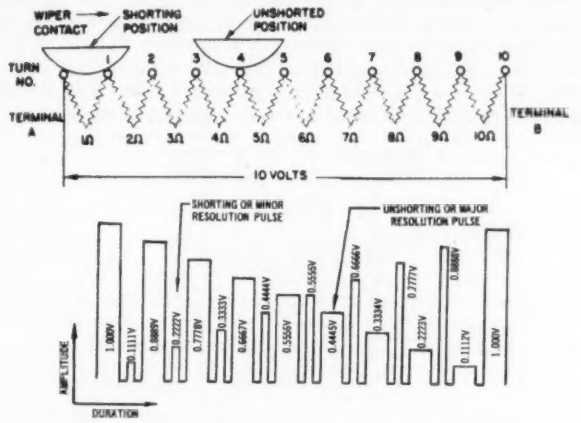

are given and several potentiometer design limitations imposing restrictions on resolution are cited. Infinite resolution potentiometers of the deposited metal film type are briefly discussed. (*From new 12-page brochure, "Resolution in Precision Wire-Wound Potentiometers," by R. J. Sullivan, Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp., Hicksville, N. Y.*)

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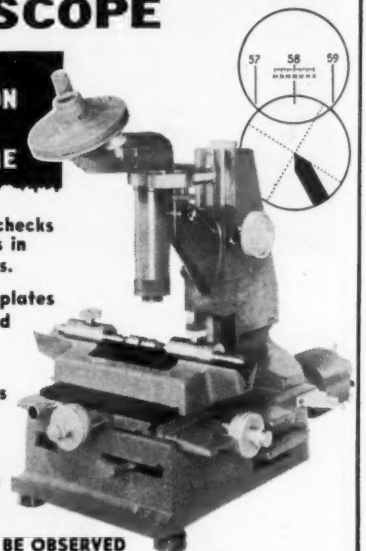

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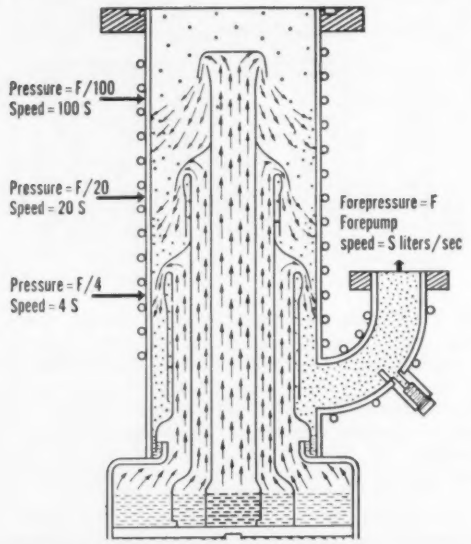

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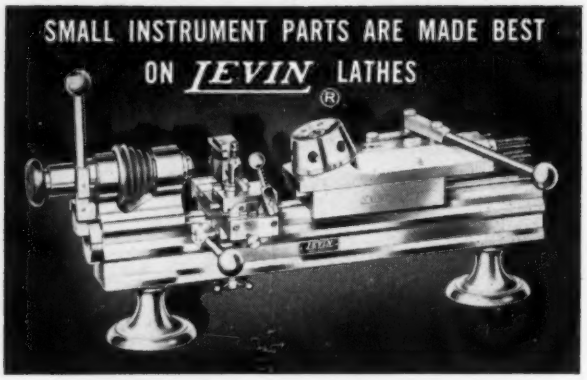

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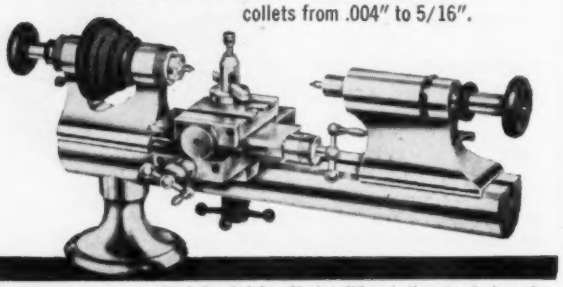

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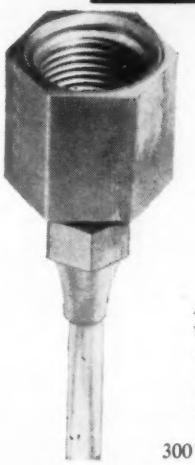

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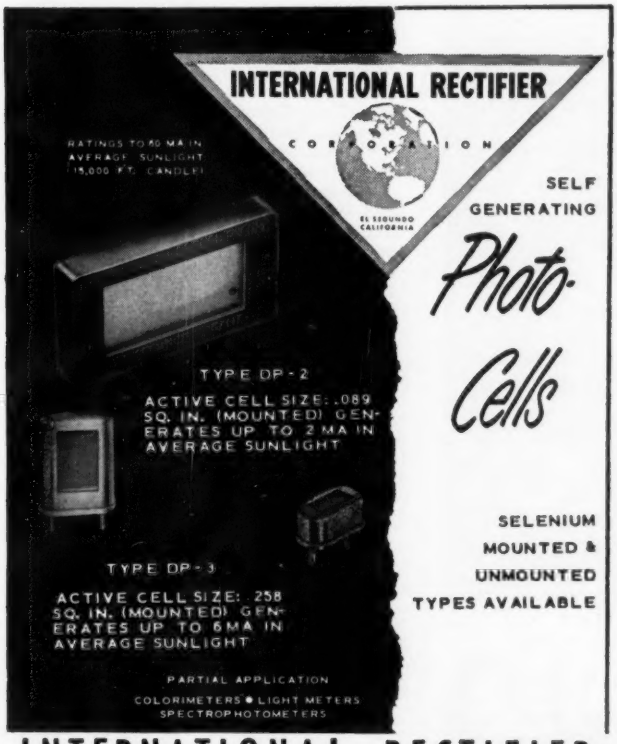
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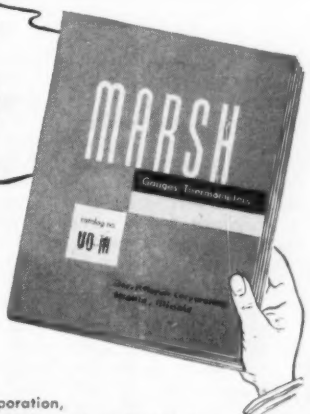

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Control Systems. New 14-page Bulletin S-10 presents case histories of design, construction, and start-up of packaged automatic control systems using diff.-transformers, time control, process controllers, etc.—Automatic Temperature Control Co., Inc., 5200 Pulaski Ave., Philadelphia 44, Pa.

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Process Control. New 2-page Bulletins (4100, 7400, 3500, 2030 & 2050, 3100, 1200 & 1210, 7500, 1100 & 1110, 1500 & 1510, 1650, 7301, and 2200) present price lists for maker's "Probotrol" probe control, alarm silencer, "Selectrols," "L" float switches, "Floatrols," "Mototrols," "hi-level" safety switch, "Tanktrols," "Duotrols," "Bubbltrols," "Motorelay," and "C & R" float switches.—Automatic Control Co., 1005 University Ave., St. Paul 4, Minn.

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Millivoltmeter Controller. New 16-page bulletin describes application of maker's "Series 400 Capacitrol" d'Arsonval-type millivoltmeter controllers for process control.—Barber-Colman Co., Wheelco Instruments Div., Rockford, Ill.

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Load Controller. New 2-page Bulletin F 5726-1 describes maker's "Inputrol" for automatically controlling input rate of electrical power.—Barber-Colman Co., Wheelco Instruments Div., Rockford, Ill.

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Process Control. Three new 4-page Bulletins I-N-1, T-5, and T-7 describe maker's pressure and temperature controllers, interval timers, and timing pushbutton for control of time interval.—Seely Instrument Co., Inc., Niagara Falls, N. Y.

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Contact Controllers, Pyrometers. New 2-page Bulletin 108 describes and illustrates maker's sensitive relays and plug-in assemblies for automatic control circuits. 4-page Bulletin G-8 covers standard ranges and specifications of "Simplytrol" automatic pyrometers for control of temperature in furnaces and ovens.—Assembly Products, Inc., Chesterland, Ohio.

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Control System Design. New 4-page Bulletin V-4002 presents detailed steps involved in designing a control system for accuracy, resolution, and frequency response by use of simulation.—CDC Control Services, Inc., 400 S. Warminster Rd., Hatboro, Pa.

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Process Control. New 2-page Bulletin 954 describes maker's self-operated temperature controllers, air-operated recording, indicating and non-indicating controllers, electrically-operated controllers, and diaphragm motor valves.—Century Instrument Co., 565 E. Milwaukee Ave., Detroit 2, Mich.

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Autronic Control. New 4-page Bulletin A1.3-1 presents description of function and working principles of each unit in "Autronic" electronic process control system.—Swartwout Co., 18511 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 12, Ohio.

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Process Instrumentation. New 28-page issue of "Taylor Technology" (Vol. 7, No. 3) features articles on "Instrumenting a Nylon Intermediates Plant, Wax Recovery from Sugar Cane," etc.—Taylor Instrument Companies, Rochester 1, N. Y.

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Combustion Control. New 22-page combustion controls catalog describes and illustrates maker's damper controls, cut-off switches, drive units, smoke indicators, etc.—Cleveland Fuel Equipment Co., 1111 Brookpark Rd., Cleveland 9, Ohio.

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Electronic Machine Control. New 4-page brochure "Automatic Electrolytic Shaping With Electronic Control" points out that standard grinders with electronic control increases efficiency while saving 90 percent in diamond wheel costs.—Anocut Engineering Co., 531 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago 6, Ill.

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VALVES

Valve Sizing. New 24-page booklet describes and illustrates maker's test-proven method of sizing control valves and regulators.—Black, Sivalls & Bryson, Inc., 15 N. Cincinnati, Tulsa 1, Okla.

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Servo Valves. New 4-page Bulletin 2000 describes maker's "Model 2000" dry solenoid servo valves for high-performance electro-hydraulic positional-type servo systems.—Moog Valve Co., Inc., E. Aurora, N. Y.

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Control Valves. New 4-page illustrated Bulletin 103-B describes maker's "Ultravalve" diaphragm motor control valve for controlling pressure, temperature, liquid level, humidity or pH.—Hammel-Dahl Co., 175 Post Rd., Providence 5, R. I.

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Control Valves. New 4-page Bulletin 104 describes and illustrates maker's "Series 700 Venturiflow" angle diaphragm control valves for gas and oil well separators, high-pressure gas transmission lines, etc.—Hammel-Dahl Co., 175 Post Rd., Providence 5, R. I.

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Control Valves. New 4-page Bulletin 101B pictures and describes maker's "Flash-Flow" plug to minimize flashing and erosive effects of high pressure drop.—Hammel-Dahl Co., 175 Post Rd., Providence 5, R. I.

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Angle Valves. New 6-page Bulletin 104-B describes maker's "Venturiflo" angle valves for handling viscous fluids, slurries and dirty solutions.—Hammel-Dahl Co., 175 Post Rd., Providence 5, R. I.

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Valves. New 4-page Bulletin 104-A pictures and describes maker's "Series 7000 Barstock" angle diaphragm control valves for pressure ratings of 3000 and 7500 psi at 100 F.—Hammel-Dahl Co., 175 Post Rd., Providence 5, R. I.

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Valves. New 4-page Bulletin V-1 illustrates and describes maker's line of valves—bleeder check, boiler feedwater, venturi reducing, heater bypass, balanced butterfly, and atmospheric relief; also high-pressure forged-strainer.—Schutte and Koerting Co., Cornwells Heights, Bucks County, Pa.

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Shut-off Valve. New 4-page Bulletin 132-D4-1 describes and illustrates maker's automatic shut-off valve that stops flow when shut-off pressure is reached.—Security Valve Corp., 541 W. Garfield, Glendale 4, Calif.

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Metering Valve. New 2-page bulletin describes maker's leak-proof metering valve giving smooth positive control with gases or liquids.—Robbins Aviation, 1735 W. Florence Ave., Los Angeles 47, Calif.

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Steam Trap. New 4-page Bulletin 255 describes maker's thermodynamic steam trap for pressures to 600 psi and temperatures to 950 F.—Sarco Co., Inc., Empire State Bldg., N. Y. 1, N. Y.

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Ball Valves. New 6-page Folder V-10M-11-54 presents maker's ball valves that are leak proof, and open or close with ¼ turn.—Rockwood Sprinkler Co., 38 Harlow St., Worcester 5, Mass.

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Synchros, Servo Motors. New 4-page Bulletin 355 presents specifica-

tions and characteristics of over 130 synchros, servo motors, and resolvers. —Norden-Ketay Corp., 99 Park Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

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Servo Components. New set of 2- and 4-page Data Sheets (Nos. 10.20-1, 10.20-2c, 10.20-3b, 10.20-4, 10.20-5, and 10.20-6) describe and illustrate maker's 400-cycle converters, 60-cycle balancing motor, servo systems and components, servo amplifier system, converters for d-c signal input voltages, and "Elect-O-Vane" limit-switch-type control unit.—Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Industrial Div., Philadelphia 44, Pa.

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Motors. New 12-page Booklet 1856 describes and illustrates maker's "Type H" uniclosed motor having cast-iron frame, moisture-proof core, electronically-balanced solid cast rotor.—U. S. Electrical Motors, Inc., P. O. Box 2058, Los Angeles 54, Calif.

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Motor Control. New 8-page Booklet 1882 describes maker's "Varitrol" pneumatic control that permits "Varidrive" motor speed to be controlled by pressure, temperature, humidity, viscosity, etc.—U. S. Electrical Motors, Inc., Box 2058, Los Angeles 54, Calif.

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Motors. New Bulletin 2P2 pictures and describes maker's "SP-25" shaded-pole motor for high or low ambient temperatures.—Electric Motors & Specialties, Inc., King & Hamsher Sts., Garrett, Ind.

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TEMPERATURE

Pyrometer Supplies. New 16-page catalog describes and illustrates maker's thermocouples, protecting tubes, tc wires, insulators, accessories and pyrometers.—Arklay S. Richards Co., Inc., Newton Highlands 61, Mass.

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Pyrometers, Supplies. New 4-page Bulletin DM037 describes and illustrates maker's thermocouple and pyrometer supplies.—Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn.

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Surface Thermometer. New 2-page bulletin pictures and describes maker's "Pandux" surface thermometer for plates, pipes, molds, etc.—Pacific Transducer Corp., 11836 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

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Panel Indicators, Pyrometers. New 8-page Bulletin G-9 presents specifications of maker's "Sim-Ply-Trol" indicating d'Arsonval-type pyrometers, "Gradutemp" oven thermometer, millivoltmeter, etc.—Assembly Products, Inc., Chesterland, Ohio.

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Temperature Systems. New 4-page Bulletin 126 describes maker's high-accuracy temperature indication systems for aircraft jet engines.—Avien, Inc., 58-15 Northern Blvd., Woodside 77, N. Y.

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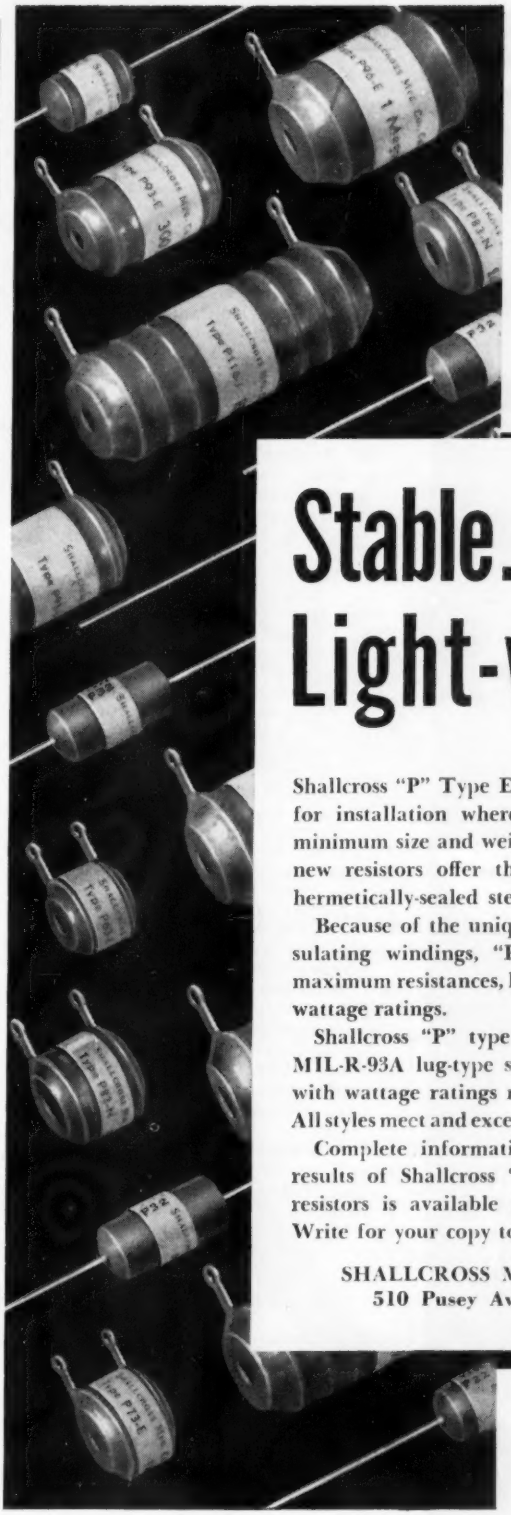

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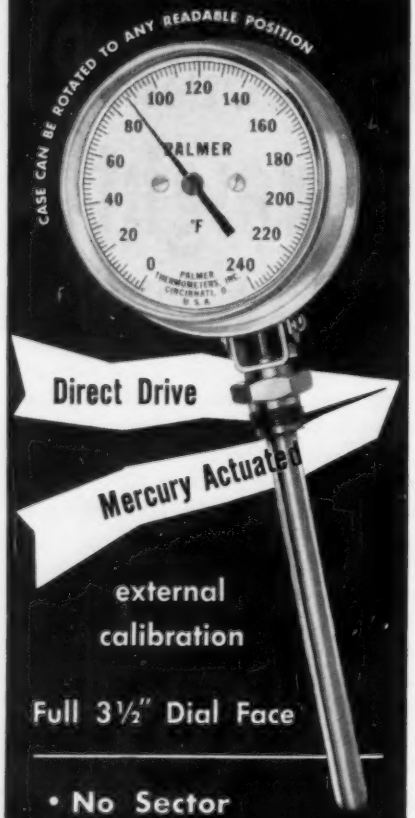

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Temperature Control. New 8-page Bulletin F 6149-2 describes application of automatic control in industrial processes. Includes control terminology, pickups, and various types of controllers.—Barber-Colman Co., Wheelco Instruments Div., Rockford, Ill.

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TC Assemblies. New 20-page Catalog 1542 describes and illustrates maker's thermocouple assemblies and pressure sealing glands.—Conax Corp., 7811 Sheridan Dr., Buffalo 21, N. Y.

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TC Amplifier. New 4-page bulletin describes and illustrates maker's low-frequency (2-20 cps) high-gain amplifier and regulated power supply for use with thermocouples, thermopiles, etc.—Farrand Optical Co., Inc., Bronx Blvd. & E. 238th St., New York 70, N. Y.

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Injector Burners. New Bulletin H-63T describes and illustrates maker's "Walltite" injector burners for high pressure gas.—Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co., 1001 Buchanan St., Rockford, Ill.

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Temperature Control. New Bulletin 754 describes maker's "Series 3070" self-operated controllers for controlling temperatures of plating and cleaning tanks, storage water heaters, fuel oil preheaters, etc.—Century Instrument Co., Detroit 2, Mich.

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Thermostats. New 4-page brochure describes and illustrates maker's "Temp-Guard" thermostats and motor protectors.—The Franklin Dales Co., 180-184 E. Mill St., Akron, Ohio.

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PRESSURE

Differential-pressure Switch. New 4-page Bulletin 211-1 presents specifications, operating characteristics and outline dimensions of maker's differential-pressure switch for control and indication of flow, liquid level and differential pressure.—Barton Instrument Corp., 1429 S. Eastern Ave., Los Angeles 22, Calif.

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Pressure Pickup. New 2-page Bulletin CEC-1556 describes and illustrates maker's "Type 4-315" differential-pressure pickups with ranges of ±1, 2, and 3 psi.—Consolidated Engineering Corp., 300 N. Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena 15, Calif.

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Pressure Gages. New 4-page Bulletin BJE-606 pictures and describes maker's "Vibrotron" miniature variable-frequency transducer for measuring static and dynamic pressures.—Byron Jackson Co., 2010 Lincoln Ave., Pasadena 3, Calif.

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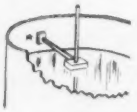

Level Control Valves. New 16-page Catalog 107 describes and illustrates maker's float and lever valves for installation above liquid level.—Schade Valve Mfg. Co., 2527-37 N. Bodine St., Philadelphia 33, Pa.

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Liquid Level. New 2-page Data Sheet 263 illustrates and describes maker's improved liquid level gage illuminators that provide diffusion of light over entire gage length. 2-page Data Sheet 245A presents line of high-pressure boiler-water gages.—Jerguson Gage & Valve Co., 87 Fellsway, Somerville 45, Mass.

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Tank Gage. New 4-page Bulletin 501 illustrates maker's new "Magnalux" tank gage for liquid level, featuring leak-proof tank and permanent-magnet-float-follower pickup.—Liquidvision Gauge & Control Corp., P. O. Box 51, Oceanside, L. I., N. Y.

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FLOW, PUMPS

Flowmeters. New 4-page Bulletin 285-G2A describes and illustrates maker's line of flowmeters for water and sewage plants.—Builders-Providence Inc., 345 Harris Ave., Providence, R. I.

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Controlled-volume Pumps. New 24-page Bulletin 953 describes and illustrates maker's controlled-volume pumps and uses in water treating.—Milton Roy Co., 1300 E. Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia 18, Pa.

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Pumps. New 6-page Folder 205 describes and illustrates maker's self-priming centrifugal pumps, end-suction pumps, electropumps and split-case pumps.—Carver Pump Co., Muscatine, Iowa.

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Compressors. New 6-page illustrated Bulletin 603 describes maker's line of air and gas compressors, dry-vacuum pumps, check valves, after-coolers, and centrifugal pumps for handling water and aqueous solutions.—Pennsylvania Pump & Compressor Co., Easton, Pa.

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Compressor. New 4-page Bulletin 1540 describes maker's "Model 20T" 20-hp air-cooled compressor.—Ingersoll-Rand, 11 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y.

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RADIOACTIVITY

Rate Meter. New 8-page issue of "Nucleus" (No. 7) describes maker's radioactivity count rate meter used

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with geiger tubes, scintillation counters or in industrial applications for monitoring purposes.—Nuclear Instrument and Chemical Corp., 221 W. Erie St., Chicago 10, Ill.

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Geiger Counters. New 2-page bulletins describe maker's "Bismo-Count" (Model EC-6), "Crysto-Count" (Model EC-9), "Hole-Count" (Model EC-7) and "Electro-Count" (Model EC-5) which read directly in mr/hr and counts per minute.—Electronic Counter Labs., Inc., 418 S. Pecan St., Los Angeles 33, Calif.

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Radioactivity Scaler. New 4-page leaflet presents characteristics of maker's "Model 200" scaler with direct readout.—Radiation Instrument Development Lab., 2337 W. 67th St., Chicago 36, Ill.

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OPTICS

Optical Instruments. New 72-page booklet "Leitz Optical Measuring Instruments" describes and illustrates maker's machine-tool microscope, screw micrometer ocular, telescopes, projecting apparatus, optical flats, optical gear-tooth caliper, etc.—George Scherr Optical Tools, Inc., 200 Lafayette St., New York 12, N. Y.

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Periscopes. New 4-page Bulletin 301 pictures and describes maker's industrial periscopes for remote viewing.—Kollmorgen Optical Corp., 30 Church St., New York 7, N. Y.

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Light Sources. New 2-page Data Sheet 30.10 describes maker's "Isolite" calibrated light standards.—U. S. Radium Corp., 535 Pearl St., New York 7, N. Y.

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Infrared Glass. New 4-page Bulletin TDS-1000 describes and illustrates maker's "Servofrax" infrared lens and window glass used for bolometers, pyrometers, gas analyzers, and infrared systems.—Servo Corp. of America, 2020 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, N. Y.

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Photoelectric Fabric Scanner. New 4-page leaflet presents maker's "Photobell" electronic fabric scanner for automatic inspection of products in warp knitting.—Photobell Sales Corp., 43 Vesey St., New York, N. Y.

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Color Measurement. New 6-page issue of "Engineering Information Service" (Vol. 2, No. 2) features article on "Measurement of Monochrome TV Screen Color by Photoelectric Tristimulus Colorimetric Methods."—Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 1100 Main St., Buffalo 9, N. Y.

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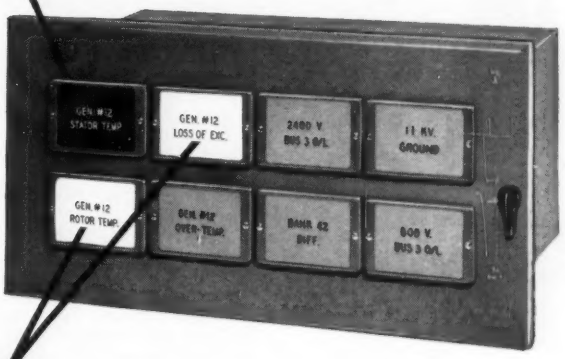

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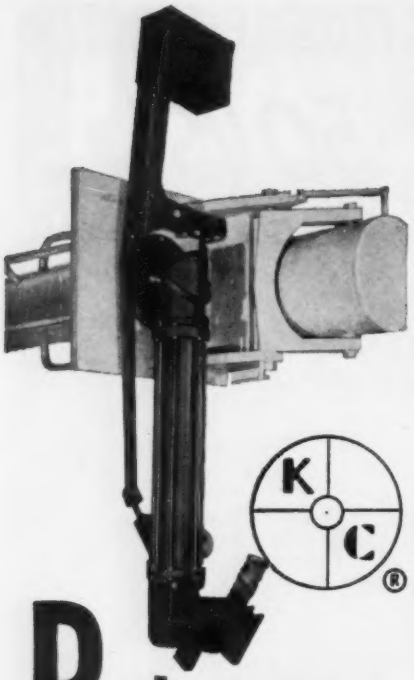

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Oscillogram Processor. New 4-page Bulletin 1537 C describes and illustrates maker's "Type 23-109" oscillogram processor, a portable "darkroom" for automatic, rapid, daylight operation.—Consolidated Engineering Corp., 300 N. Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena 15, Calif.

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Amplifier System. New 8-page Bulletin 1403D describes and illustrates maker's "System D" high-gain, lightweight, reliable, precision amplifier system for use as a companion unit to recording oscillographs.—Consolidated Engineering Corp., 300 N. Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena 15, Calif.

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Oscillograph. New 4-page bulletin describes and illustrates maker's "Model 581" 14-channel oscillograph designed for rugged flight-test work.—Midwestern Instruments, P.O. Box 7186, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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Recording Charts. New Stock List 106 1-55 covers maker's 3,000 most widely used "Permocharts" all-plastic instrument charts.—Allegheny Plastics, Inc., Thorn Run Rd., Coraopolis, Pa.

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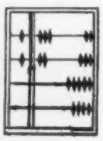

Computer Tubes. New 50-page Booklet ETD-1140-P outlines company's computer tube program, presents data on five types in maker's line, reviews special computer tube design considerations and applications notes.—Tube Dept., General Electric, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

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Digital Computer Elements. New 16-page booklet is article on symbolic logic, binary calculation, and "3C-PACs" (unitized gating circuits) for basic digital computer applications.—Computer Control Co., Inc., 92 Broad St., Wellesley 57, Mass.

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Multiple Readout Systems. New 12-page Catalog 58-15 describes maker's multiple-pressure readout systems to speed up data handling for process industries, wind tunnels, engine test facilities, etc.—Fischer & Porter Co., 393 Jacksonville Rd., Hatboro, Pa.

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Data Reduction. New 4-page bulletin describes and illustrates maker's "Datrac" data reduction systems featuring reversible analog-digital conversion, multiple-input reduction, simulation use, etc.—Epsco Inc., 588 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.

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Punch Marking.—New 2-page data sheets describe and illustrate maker's "Kimball 75" punch marking machine for data and inventory control.—A. Kimball Co., 307 W. Broadway, New York 13, N. Y.

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TIME, COUNT

Time Totalizers. New 8-page Bulletin PB-610 presents maker's "Type 690" electrical stop clock and "Types 630 and 640" running-time meters for operations control.—R. W. Cramer Co., Inc., Centerbrook, Conn.

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Timing Control. New 2-page illustrated bulletin describes maker's "Type D494 Meritrol" timer giving automatic control of process or operation.—Emmett Machine & Mfg. Inc., 445 E. Turkeyfoot Lake Rd., Akron 19, Ohio.

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Industrial Counters. New 2-page data sheets describe maker's line of unitized modular industrial counters and controls.—Atomic Instrument Co., 84 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass.

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Strain Gages. New 12-page Bulletin S-E 3-55 is 1955 price list for SR-4 strain gages, accessories, and cements. Includes specifications and suggestions for selection.—Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Phila. 42, Pa.

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Differential Transformer. New 2-page Bulletin LVDT-100A describes and illustrates maker's linear differential transformer for detection and measurement of minute linear mechanical displacement.—The Gudeman Co., 340 W. Huron St., Chicago 10, Ill.

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VIBRATION, FREQUENCY

Vibration. New 2-page Bulletin CEC-1517 C describes and illustrates

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Tachometers. New 8-page Bulletin 770 describes "Standco" vibrating-reed tachometers for measuring rotational speeds on totally-enclosed equipment.—Herman H. Sticht Co., Inc., 27 Park Place, New York 7, N. Y.

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Frequency Meters. New 4-page Bulletin 805 describes and illustrates maker's "Standco" vibrating-reed frequency meters.—Herman H. Sticht Co., Inc., 27 Park Place, New York 7, N. Y.

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ULTRASONICS

Ultrasonics, Communications Equipment. New 32-page brochure presents facilities and personnel of manufacturer of military and industrial communications equipment, ultrasonic cleaning equipment, counting devices, etc.—Telephonics Corp., Huntington, Long Island, N. Y.

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Ultrasonic Cleaner. New 4-page bulletin describes and illustrates maker's "Electrosonic" generator and filter transducer for industrial cleaning applications.—Telephonics Corp., Huntington, L. I., N. Y.

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Tools, Gages. New 478-page Catalog 27 describes and illustrates maker's large line of steel tapes, steel rules, dial gages, hacksaws, micrometer calipers, height and depth gages, etc.—The L. S. Starrett Co., Athol, Mass.

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Hydraulic Equipment. New 28-page Catalog describes and illustrates maker's hydraulic air booster for hydrostatic testing.—Century Hydraulics, Inc., 8866 Greenfield, Detroit 28, Mich.

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Comparators. New 4-page brochure describes chart service for optical comparators.—Vanguard Instrument Corp., 184 Casper St., Valley Stream, N. Y.

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Master Balls. New 8-page illustrated bulletin describes applications of maker's master balls in tool room and production gaging.—Industrial Tectonics, Inc., 3684 Jackson Rd., Ann Arbor, Mich.

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Gaging Balls. New 2-page Bulletins 511, 522 and 551 describe and illustrate maker's precision master balls for setting comparator gages and gaging equipment, measuring standards, etc.—Industrial Tectonics, Inc., 3684 Jackson Rd., Ann Arbor, Mich.

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Gage Blocks. New 4-page illustrated folder describes maker's gage blocks

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ANALYTICAL

Viscometers. New 12-page descriptive bulletin illustrates maker's rotating-bob-type viscometers for use at extremes of pressure, viscosity and temperature.—Drage Products, 406 32nd St., Union City, N. J.

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Viscosimeter. New 2-page Bulletin 355 describes maker's "Hoeppler" viscosimeter "Model CH" with temperature range of −35 to +60 C.—Fish-Schurman Corp., 70 Portman Rd., New Rochelle, N. Y.

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Specific Gravity. New 2-page Bulletin 800 pictures maker's hydrometer-type "Spee/Gee" specific gravity indicator for liquid densities.—Brooks Rotameter Co., Lansdale, Pa.

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Hg Vapor Detectors. New 2-page bulletin describes maker's line of mercury vapor meters for detecting toxic concentrations of mercury vapor in plant and lab atmospheres.—Harold Kruger Instruments, P. O. Box 164, San Gabriel, Calif.

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Air Pollution. New 4-page bulletin "Beckman Infrared Notes" presents article on use of spectrophotometer and 175-ft air path in smog studies.—Beckman Div., Beckman Instruments, Inc., Fullerton, Calif.

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Carbon, Sulfur Determination. New 16-page descriptive bulletin presents specifications of maker's two-minute carbon determinator, sulfur determinator, combustion furnaces, oxygen regulator, etc.—Harry W. Dietert Co., 9330 Roselawn Ave., Detroit 4, Mich.

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Laboratory Equipment. New 20-page issue of "Burrell Announcer" No. 55-4-58 describes and illustrates maker's variable-speed shakers, microprojector, dehumidifier, vacuum oven, label varnish, distilled water heater, etc.—Burrell Corp., 2223 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

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Gel-time Meter, Corona. New 4-page Catalog 22 describes and illustrates maker's gel-time meter that automatically measures time required for a fluid thermosetting composition to reach a point of rapid viscosity change during polymerization. 2-page Catalog 17 presents detector that determines corona in high-voltage rotating apparatus.—Sunshine Scientific Instrument, 1810 Grant St., Phila. 15, Pa.

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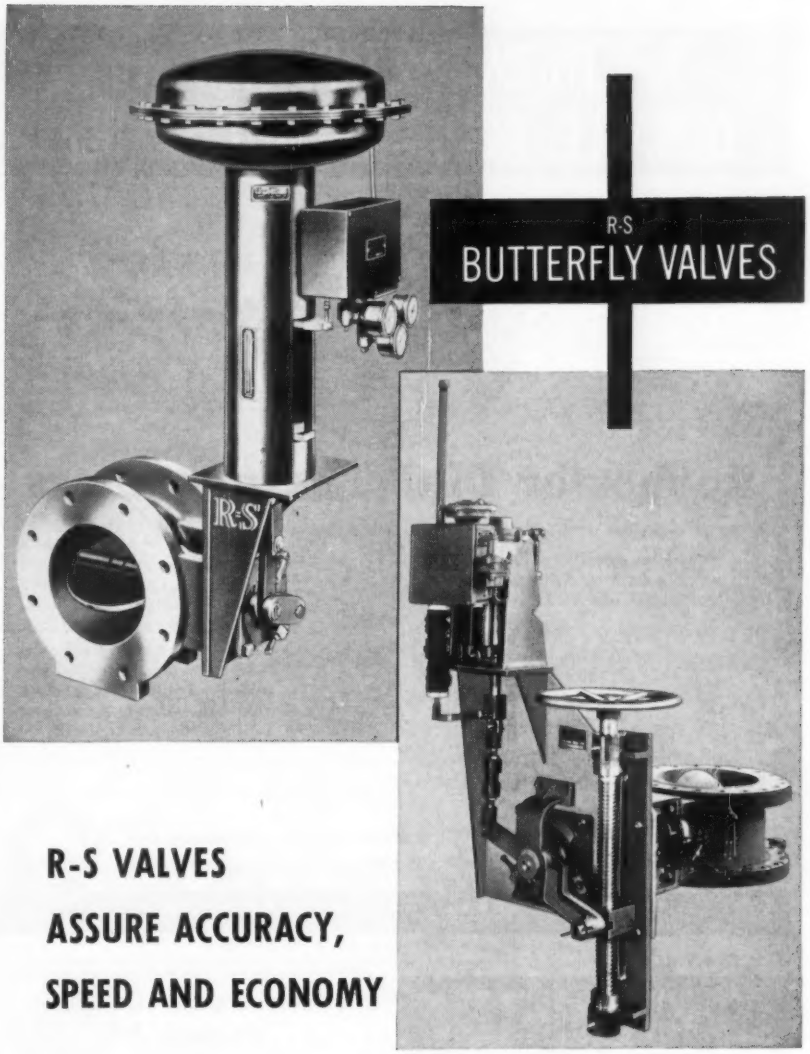

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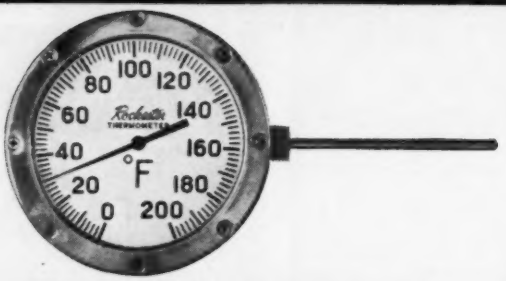

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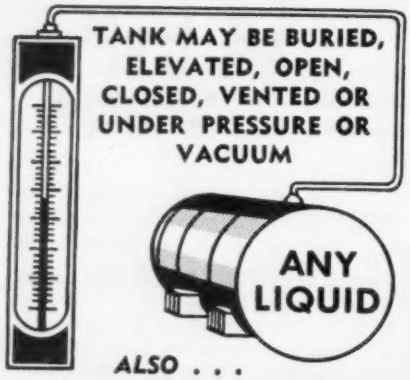

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TV Alignment. New 8-page Booklet RE 8P describes and illustrates maker's TV alignment equipment, including marker generator, video generator, etc.—Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., 10528 Dupont Ave., Cleveland 8, Ohio.

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Traveling-wave Amplifier. New 2-Bulletin HA-3B presents electrical and mechanical characteristics of maker's low-power, high-gain traveling-wave-tube amplifier.—Huggins Laboratories, Inc., 711 Hamilton Ave., Menlo Park, Calif.

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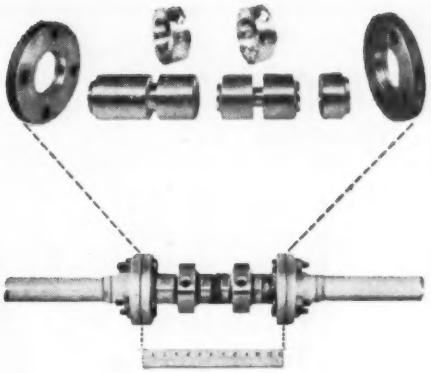

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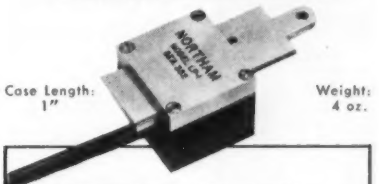

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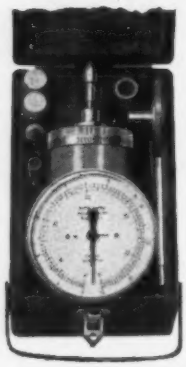

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Control Switches. New Technical Bulletin 568 describes and illustrates maker's remote-control switch.—Automatic Switch Co., 391 Lakeside Ave., Orange, N. J.

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Hermetic-seal Headers. New 16-page illustrated Booklet 200 describes maker's "Vac-Tite," "All-Glass," and "All-Metal" multi-contact fusion-seal headers for use with hermetically-sealed equipment.—Hermetic Seal Products Co., 29-37 S. Sixth St., Newark 7, N. J.

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Subminiature Connector. New 4-page illustrated folder "This is Microdot" covers maker's subminiature connectors.—Microdot Div., Felts Corp., 1826 Fremont Ave., S. Pasadena, Calif.

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Compression Plugs. New 12-page catalog describes and illustrates maker's octal, loctal, miniature, all-glass, all-metal, etc., "Vac-Tite" compression plugs.—Hermetic Seal Products Co., 29-37 S. Sixth St., Newark 7, N. J.

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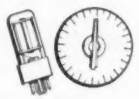

TV Picture Tubes. New 40-page Bulletin ETD-1001A presents quick-selection guides for television picture tubes.—General Electric Tube Dept., Schenectady 5, N. Y.

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Electronic Supplies. New 4-page price list presents receiving tubes, TV antennas, coaxial connectors, time switches, adapters, etc.—Lectronic Distributors, 727 Arch St., Philadelphia 6, Pa.

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Wire, Plugs. New 44-page Catalog 55 describes and illustrates maker's wire, cable, tubing, jacks and plugs, etc.—Birnbach Radio Co., Inc., 145 Hudson St., New York 13, N. Y.

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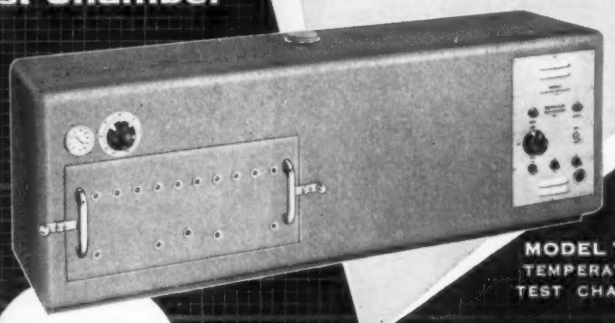

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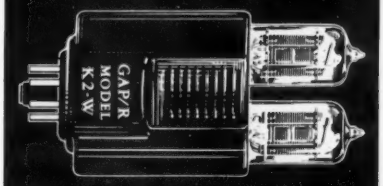

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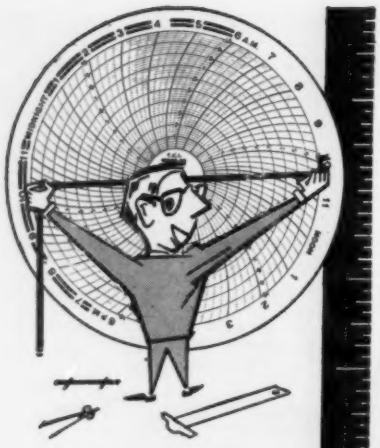

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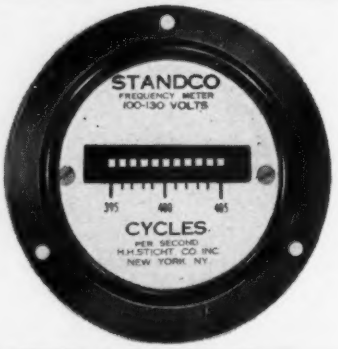

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Capacitors. New 2-page Bulletin 530 describes maker's sintered-anode tantalum electrolytic capacitors for d-c circuits having low a-c ripple content. —Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp., S. Plainfield, N. J.

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Diaphragms. New 16-page Catalog B.F. 150 describes various classes of maker's long-stroke, deep convolution diaphragms.—Bellofram Corp., 144 Moody St., Waltham 54, Mass.

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Radial Bearings. New 4-page specification sheet covers maker's retainer radial bearings.—New Hampshire Ball Bearings, Inc., Peterborough, N. H.

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Roller Drives. New 4-page Bulletin 105A presents dimensions and load ratings of maker's high-speed precision indexing roller drives.—Ferguson Machine & Tool Co., P. O. Box 191, St. Louis 21, Mo.

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Fasteners. New 8-page Bulletin P87A covers style and size data on maker's stainless fasteners such as screws, bolts, nuts, rivets, etc.—All-metal Screw Products Co., Inc., 821 Stewart Ave., Garden City, L. I., N. Y.

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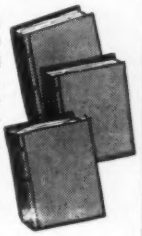

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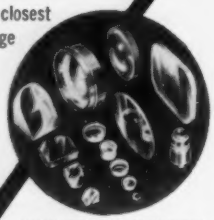

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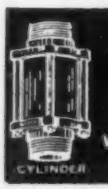

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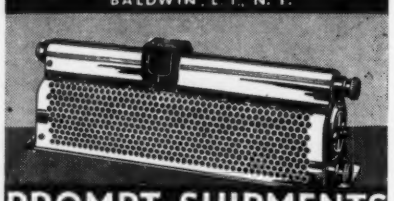

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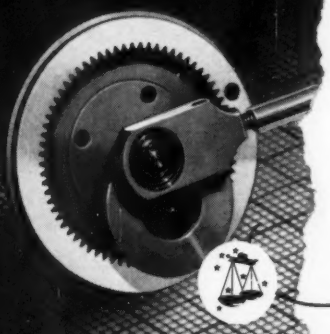

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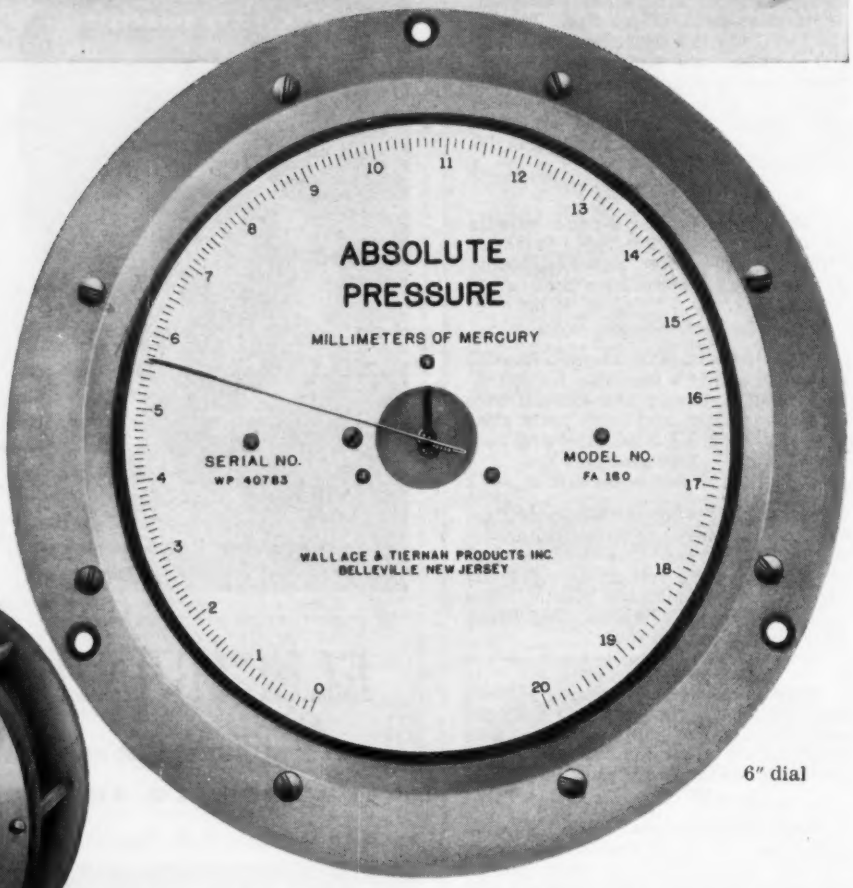

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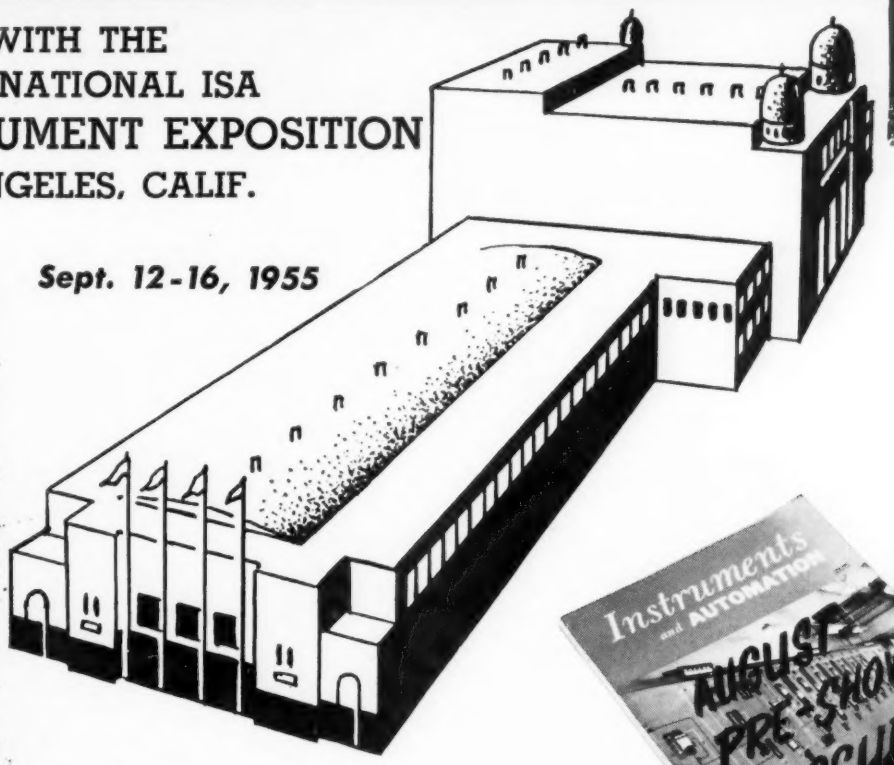

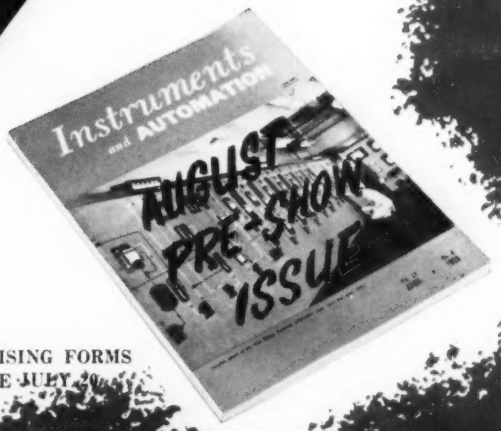

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